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DISTRICT OF COQUITLAM CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the District of Coquitlam C.C.C. was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Hall, at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 17th, 1965 of Present were: Chairman J. P. Clarke, R. Mitchuk, K. Webber, R. Stibbs, Father ACOUNCIL Frechette, D. Cunnings, Mrs. S. Currie, Mrs. J. Schwab, Mrs. M. RimesAPR 13 1965

Velegations

Chairman of the Parks & Recreation Commission, E.M. Gueho, and Mr. Clcay, Parks Department, presented an oral brief to the Committee, on the beautification of Como Lake.

The Chairman thanked the Commission, asked the delegation to secure cost figures and length of time it would take to complete the project, and added that this committee would be pleased to see further drawings.

Minutes

Moved by R. Mitchuk, seconded by K. Webber That the minutes of November 16, 1964, be approved as circulated.

Carried

Business Arising from Minutes

Mr. Cunnings reported that the Farmers' Institute group in the East end of the Municipality had declined an invitation to send a representative to this Committee.

Meeting with Provincial Committee

Mr. Cunnings and Mr. Mitchuk reported on a meeting they attended in Mission at which Provincial representatives were present, and two points brought out were the emphasis to be placed on celebrations and the request that grant applications be filed as soon as possible.

Mr. Cunnings reported that our grant application had not yet been made because Fraser Mills had contacted the Reeve and offered to join with the District of Coquitlam; and this brought up the question of a possible joint application for grant. Fraser Mills had also asked for a resolution accepting their offer.

# Fraser Mills

Moved by K. Webber, seconded by R. Stibbs
That this Committee accept the offer of Fraser Mills Municipality to join
the District of Coquitlam Centennial Celebrations Committee with Mr. A.
Botham as their Committee member, and that applications, etc., to be made
on the basis of a combined committee.

Carried

<u>Correspondence</u>

- 1. Provincial Paper brochure on Centennial colour schemes, etc.
- 2. Geo. H. Hewitt Company Ltd., re Centennial coins
- 3. 1st edition of B.C. Centennial "Spokesman"
- 4. G.J. Pynn, Recreation Consultant, Community Programmes Branch, re grants: Winter Works Provincial grant cannot be used for Centennial, nor may loans made under the Municipal Development Act; total Federal contribution will not exceed 50% of the net cost after deducting ALL Federal & Provincial grants other than Centennial grants. Provincial grant of 33 1/3% of capital cost of senior citizens' centres is administered through the Provincial Secretary's Department.

Motion Moved by Mrs. S. Currie, seconded by R. Mitchuk That the correspondence be received and filed.

Carried

Centennial Project Briefs

a) Sir Frederick Banting Junior Secondary School: suitable covering for a district swimming pool.

The Committee requested the Secretary to have this suggestion clarified.

b) The Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire: development of a park such as the Mundy Lake area.

Chairman Clarke explained that he and Mr. Cunnings had spoken to this group, and what they had in mind was a project on Lost Lake in Mundy Lake Park, similar to that proposed for Como Lake, which would provide an adequate picnic area, swimming, etc.

c) Senior Citizens Project: Co. Clarke reported that he had met with this group and their project would be in the Maillardville area.

The question of the municipality donating land, the costs involved and the management and administration of the project when completed would all have to be considered.

Mr. John Dicaire will be invited to speak on this project at a future committee meeting.

d) It was also reported that the District Parent-Teacher Council would have their brief ready within a week and wished to have a delegation present it to the Committee.

### Questionnaire

After discussion on various means of making the public aware of the Centennial plans and the work of the Committee, the following motion was passed:

Moved by R. Mitchuk, seconded by Mrs. S. Currie
That a list of project briefs submitted and other suggested projects, be circulated to the public in the form of a questionnaire, inviting them to enumerate their choices and return the questionnaire to this Committee.

#### Carried

The Chairman appointed R. Mitchuk and D. Cunnings to make up the form and have it circulated.

The list of projects is to include: indoor pool, Como Lake development, Lost Lake development, Library, Senior Citizens' centre, Centennial Pavilion, Athletic Stadium, Poirier Street Mall.

The Committee also recommended publicity through the papers, giving proposed projects and asking for further submissions.

# Advance Editorial

It was pointed out that an editorial in the Fort Moody Advance gave the public the impression that a library had already been picked as the Centennial Project.

Moved by Mrs. S. Currie, seconded by R. Mitchuk
That a letter be directed to the Advance, pointing out that they were in
error in the editorial and led a great number of people in the area to
an erroneous conclusion; and that this situation should be rectified.

### Carried

# Publicity

The Committee agreed that the Centennial and the work of this committee sould be publicized as much as possible, through papers, radio, and all other media.

The Chairman pointed out that he and Mr. Cunnings would be available to speak to groups and if other Committee members would consent, they are to advise Mr. Cunnings. Mr. Stibbs was asked to have someone do an outline of the events of 1858, 1866 and 1867, which would be of help to speakers.

A leaflet or flier, delivered quarterly, and possibly monthly later on, was recommended, to list Centennial news of projects and celebrations. Provincial and National advertising will be forthcoming also.

It was felt that the walk system would be the most satisfactory method of distributing the questionnaire and any other information from the Committee.

# Adjournment

Moved by R. Stibbs, seconded by Father Frechette That the meeting adjourn.

Carried.

.CHAIRMAN

A joint meeting of the District of Coquitlam Municipal Council and the Centennial Celebrations Committee was held on Friday October 22 at 7:30 p.m., in the Council C

Present were: Reeve Christmas, Councillors Clarke, Boileau, Vallance, Filiatrault, Staff F. L. Pobst. Butler.

Centennial Committee: Rev. A. Frechette, Mrs. J. Schwab, K. Webber, J. Robinson, R. Stibbs, R. Mitchuk, Mrs. S. Currie. Staff: D. Cunnings, Mrs. M. Rines. Absent: A. Botham.

### Purpose

The Reeve called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m., explaining to the Committee that the meeting had been called so that Council could become more informed on the choice of a Centennial project and how the choice had been made.

The letter from the Committee to Council, recommending a social recreation centre as a Centennial project, with the library as second choice, was read.

#### Report of Committee

Co. Clarke, as Chairman of the Committee, gave a verbal report of the activities of the Committee to date, outlining the various projects and the Committee's viewpoints on same.

He pointed out that the cards mailed out to citizens were in no way binding upon the committee: they had been mailed out for further publicity, opinions and suggestions; the committee as a whole felt that pressures were responsible, to a great extent, for the results; and he was of the opinion that the Committee had made their choice without considering the pressures.

The first meeting in September narrowed down the projects to three: library, community centre and park development; but, as members felt they needed more time for study, a further meeting was set. At this point, Mrs. Schwab asked if her vote could be accepted by telephone, as she would be unable to attend the meeting, and the committee agreed.

At the meeting on September 22nd, after further discussion, both the park development and the library were eliminated because both would require by-laws. It was felt that the social recreation centre could be build with Centennial funds, with possibly some money raising by the committee to fully complete it, and that it should be built as the first stage of a complete recreation complex in the civic centre site. The Committee realized that it would be necessary to have a director to operate the building and visualized the centre as a meeting place for groups and clubs of all ages. It was pointed out that the Simon Fraser Health Unit had to be closed to such groups and the I.O.D.E., for example, which had used this facility for small dinner meetings, was affected. Co. Clarke stated that he had visited the West Vancouver Community Centre, which would be a similar type of installation, and had been told that the building was full and could be enlarged to handle the needs of the community.

At this second meeting, a vote was taken, including the proxy vote of Mrs. Schwab, and the result was three votes for the centre and two for the library; therefore, the Centennial Committee recommended to Council that the Centennial project be a social recreation centre, to the value of \$80,000.00, and designed as a core to expanded recreation facilities as years go by.

# Committee Members

In reply to a question from Council, it was reported that the original members of the Committee were: Co. Clarke, Rev. A. Frechette, Mrs. S. Currie and Mr. J. Robinson, with staff members Mr. D. Cunnings and Mrs. M. Rines. In an effort to make the committee more representative of the District, other letters were written and the following accepted invitations to act on the Committee: Chamber of Commerce, who appointed Mr. R. Mitchuk and Mr. K. Webber as their representatives; Mr. R. Stibbs, School Superintendent, School District #43; Mrs. L. Schwab of the Glen area; and Mr. A. Botham, Fraser Mills representative as a result of the amalgamation of the two Districts. This made a total of nine voting members, of whom five voted.

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During further discussion all Committee members present spoke on the choice of the project and Co. Clarke also pointed out that, at the moment, the purpose of the building was most important and asked Council's permission to have D. Cunnings explain this. Co. Butler suggested, instead, a special Council meeting with Co. Clarke and D. Cunnings as this meeting had been called to clarify the choice.

Moved by Co. Butler; seconded by Co. Vallance That the Council meet again with the Chairman and Executive Secretary to further discuss the plan.

Carried.

Co. Clarke voiced a vote of thanks on his own behalf and on behalf of Council to the Committee members for attending this meeting.

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Tiomor Some of the functions possible in a centre of this type, as outlined by D. Cunnings, are: rooms for hobby groups, chess, arts & crafts, and other activities different to those of public schools, so that we are not duplicating; Club activities: Fish & Game Clubs to Housewives' Holiday type of activity; possibly physical activities in the basement, such as weightlifting, judo, pistor or rifle clubs; expressive arts: drama, ballet, Child's Own Theatre; special events such as banquets, but it was pointed out that the club activities are the core programmes; Senior Citizens' programmes during the day, service clubs for varied functions; teen-age programmes, possibly two dances per month with adjacent area for other activites; adult dancing, movies, art; operating fourteen hours per day.

# Adjournment

The Reeve again thanked the Committee for attending the meeting and then adjourned the meeting: 9:15 p.m.

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DISTRICT OF COQUITLAM CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS COMMITTEE

On the request of Council, a special meeting of the District of Coquitlam Municipal Council and the Chairman and Executive Secretary of the Centennial Committee was held on Tuesday, October 19th, 1965, at 7:00 p.m., in the Municipal Council Chambers, 1111 Brunette Avenue.

Present: Acting Reeve R. Gamache, Co. J. Vallance, Co. R. Boileau, Co. M. Butler, Co. P. Filiatrault, Co. J. Clarke. Staff: F. Pobst, R. LeClair, D. Cunnings.

## Purpose

The purpose of the meeting was to view the social recreation centre plans as presented to the Centennial Commission.

#### Functions

Co. Clarke outlined some of the functions that may well be assigned to such a facility, if it were to become a reality.

### Overall Community Recreation Centre

It was ostensibly pointed out to the Council by the Chairman that the plan before them was simply an idea and in no way final; for it is hoped that such a social recreation centre would only be a part of an overall recreation complex in the civic centre site, east of Poirier Street.

# Library

Co. Filiatrault raised the question of a library and suggested that a strict Municipal control over the library was possible, that large operating expenditures would be precluded.

It was pointed out by Mr. R LeClair, however, that such strict Municipal control was not possible under the Library Act.

### Project Decision

On a motion of Council, the project decision was tabled until Tuesday, October 26m, 1965.

# Adjournment

The special joint meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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DISTRICT OF COQUITLAM CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the District of Coquitlam Centennial Celebrations Committee was

held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Hall on Wednesday, November 24, 1965, at 8:00 p.m.

Present: J. P. Clarke, J. Robinson, R. Mitchuk, Mrs. S. Currie, Mrs. J. Schwab; D. L. Cunnings, Executive Secretary; Mrs. M. Rines, Recording Secretary.

Co. Clarke, in an explanation to the Committee, advised that his resignation as Chairman still stands, but that he had agreed to continue acting as Chairman only until January and that he would be willing to continue as a committee member.

## Minutes of October 1 & 19th

Moved by J. Robinson, seconded by R. Mitchuk That the minutes of October 1st and October  $19^{th}$  be adopted as circulated.

### Carried.

#### Correspondence

1. Centennial 2-year calendars- Mrs. Currie reported that she had contacted Mr. Stibbs for the School Board and Mr. Mitchuk for the Chamber of Commerce, for their estimates of number of calendars which they thought might be sold.

Motion Moved by R. Mitchuk, seconded by Mrs. Currie
That we purchase no more than 2,000 of the 2-year calendars.

#### Carried.

Motion Moved by J. Robinson, seconded by Mrs. Currie

That D. L. Cunnings be authorized to purchase 100 calendars immediately.

# Carried.

2. Centennial Committee Blazers

Motion Moved by R. Mitchuk, seconded by J. Robinson
That this Committee be supplied with Centennial blazers.

#### Carried.

3. Calendar of Events-

otion Moved by J. Robinson, seconded by R. Mitchuk

That this letter be received and filed, and that D. Cunnings be authorized
to write the Provincial Committee to ask if there has been an extension of time.

4. Centennial MedallionsThe number of medallions to be purchased was discussed, and R. Mitchuk took the sample coin received so that it could be discussed with the Chamber of Commerce.

- 5. Junior Chamber of Commerce Bronze Statues-The Committee was advised that these statues were being sold at \$35.00 per pair for the smaller and \$150.00 per pair for the larger statues, with the money to be applied to the Jay Cee Foundation.
- 6. B.C. Centennial Spokesman- copies were distributed to members.
- 7. Second Installment of Administrative & Program Grant The Secretary reported this grant application had been mailed to Victoria.
- 8. Stickers for EnvelopesThe Secretary was requested to order more stickers for distribution to various groups in the Community.
- 9. Dept. of Industrict Newsletter #5 received and filed.

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- 10. Western Canada Directory Mr. Cunnings explained this project to the Committee and it was arrange that he and Mr. Mitchuk would meet with Mr. Johnson, representative of the firm, the following day.
- 11. Program Suggestions -- copies were given to J. Robinson and Mrs. Currie, who are members of the Program Committee.

### Centennial Project Architects

The Chairman reported that Council had approved the recommendation of the Committee that the Centennial Project be a Social Recreation Centre and that Russcher & Hansen have been retained as architects.

Before proceeding with design for the building, the Building Committee is to meet with the architect to sketch out a plan for the proposed future complex.

The Secretary was requested to have the project approved by the Provincial Committee before doing any work with the architects.

Mr. Mitchuk requested that it be recorded in the minutes that he is not in accord with Council's arbitrary action in awarding the contract, as he feels that this should have been of a competitive nature.

### Committees

The Chairman briefly outlined the duties of the various committees: Finance: R. Mitchuk will require figures of monies available and will determine ways and means of raising more money; consider monies set aside for building, estimated to be \$80,000.00 of the present \$96,000.00, the architect's costs of the building and the contractor's costs, what other funds may be available, etc.

Building Committee - will get preliminary costs from architects, work with architect and contractors,. It was pointed out that Council is not limited to the amount of monies being given now.

Celebrations Program - Mr. R. Stibbs was added to this Committee. This Committee is to think of various unique events, involving many people; and it was suggested that annual events, such as the Kinsmen's Carnival, could be built up to attract more people.

# Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held in January, 1966.

### Adjournment

Moved by Mrs. Schwab, seconded by Mrs. Currie That the meeting adjourn: 10:00 p.m.

Carried.