Burke Mountain Com-mittee



Wednesday, February 5th, 1969

A meeting of the Burke Mountain Committee convened in the Conference Room of the Municipal Hall, 1111 Brunette Avenue, Coquitlam, B.C. on Wednesday, February 5th, 1969 at 7:30 p.m.

The following were present: Chairman, Alderman R.J. Gamache; AMr. A. Johnson; Mr. T. Holtby; Mr. Bert Ball; Mr. D.M. Buchanan, Municipal Planner; Mr. H.F. Hockey, Engineering Supervisor; Mr. A.J.S. Gibb, Vancouver-Fraser Regional Park Administrator; and Mr. T. Klassen, Assistant Municipal Clerk.

The meeting was called to acquaint Mr. Gibb with the features of Burke Mountain and to seek assistance of the Regional Parks Board in improving and maintaining the road leading to Burke Mountain.

Mr. Johnson showed slides of the Burke Mountain Lodge and Ski Village and also of the surrounding area and Ald. Gamache invited Mr. Gibb to visit the Mountain sometime in February and he would be pleased to take him up on a guided tour.

Alderman Gamache described to Mr. Gibb the existing development on the Mountain and the plans the Committee had for the future.

Alderman Gamache asked that the Regional Park Authority consider extending the Burke Mountain Park further north of the present Municipal Boundary.

Alderman Gamache then went on to describe the work done by the Municipality on the road leading to Burke Mountain and this work has averaged out at about \$7,000.00 per year, however, the road required a great deal more work from the Gun Club to the Lodge.

Mr. Gibb was asked what assistance might be forthcoming from the Regional Park Authority between the time the park is taken over by them and 1973 when the authority will be able to expend funds for improvement and maintenance. It was explained that the District of Coquitlam felt that by continuing to expend monies on the road, as well as paying its levy to the Regional Board, that we were in effect paying twice for parks.

Alderman Bewley asked if it would be possible for the District to deduct from its levy to the Regional Park Authority any amount spent on the Burke Mountain Road. Mr. Gibb stated that the Regional Board would lose the B.C. Government matching grant if this was done. Mr. Gibb did say, however, that it may be possible for the Board to make a grant to Coquitlam for the maintenance of the road.

It was felt that a brief should be prepared and presented to the Board at its meeting to be held in March showing expenditures needed to maintain the road.

Mr. Gibb was also questioned as to what protection would be extended to present lease holders once the Park is taken over by the Regional Authority. Mr. Gibb stated that this would depend on what arrangement was negotiated between the Burke Mountain Committee, Council and the Regional Board. He felt, however, that possibly the present local administration of the Village could be maintained.

Mr. Gibb inquired if expansion of the Village was being considered by the Burke Mountain Committee and was informed that at the moment there was no plan for expansion.

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Mr. Ball then explained what investment he presently had made in developing the Lodge and what he planned for the future. The one large item planned was the installation of a chair lift to cost approximately \$200,000.00. Mr. Ball felt that the maintenance of the road was the biggest problem to be faced.

Alderman Gamache at this point informed the meeting that a licence to use 10,000 gallons of water from Diener Creek per day had been granted. The licence spells out certain stipulations and Mr. Ball agreed to provide the committee with a plan of the proposed work and also of what exists at the present time.

Mr. Ball also inquired as to what reimbursement he could expect from the District with regard to snow removal on Harper Road. Ald. Gamache asked that he prepare an itemized statement and submit it to Council for possible action.

Mr. Ball stated that at present there has been no further progress with regard to the Chair Lift and informed the meeting that Swan - Wooster Engineering would be doing the planning on this project.

Alderman Gamache asked Mr. Gibb to attempt to have present timber leases on the Burke Mountain area cancelled once they come up for renewal.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

BURKE MOUNTAIN COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, April 2nd, 1969

A meeting of the Burke Mountain Committee convened in the Conference
Room of the Municipal Hall, 1111 Brunette Avenue, Coquitlam, B. C. on Vednesday Recognition April 2nd, 1969 at 7:30 p.m.

The following were present: Ald. R.J. Gamache; Mr. A. Johnson; Mr. T. Holtby; Mr. F.H. Hockey, Engineering Supervisor; Mr. Bert Ball, Mr. B. Gunn of Swan Wooster Engineering; and T. Klassen, Assistant Municipal Clerk.

Mr. Ball put forward a proposal for the maintenance of the Burke Mountain Road from Coast Meridian to the Gun Club, a distance of 1 1/8 miles to be done by him to be reimbursed by The District of Coquitlam. The annual cost would be as follows:

TOTAL	\$ 4,100.00
Miscellaneous cleaning Snow Removal (12 or 13 trips annually)	600.00 800.00
Gravelling - 3" annually 1100 yards (trucking only)	1,260.00
Grading twice a month (4 hours each time)	\$ 1,440.00

Mr. Ball then went on to discuss the completion of the road from the Gun Club to the proposed parking lot, a distance of $1\ 1/4$ miles.

Mr. Ball stated that in order to make the proposed chair lift economically feasible he would require fairly good access to the parking lot from which the chair lift would operate. He felt that it would cost approximately 35 to 40 thousand dollars to complete this $1 \ 1/4$ mile section of the road and possibly another 15 thousand to pave the entire road from Coast Meridian to the parking lot.

Mr. Ball stated that he may be prepared to undertake the construction of the road from the Gun Club to the parking lot as well as the paving of the complete road if he would be reimbursed by the Municipality over a five year period.

It was left with Mr. Ball to submit a letter of intent to the Municipal Council on his proposal for their consideration.

The Committee then discussed the brief on Burke Mountain, which is to be submitted to the Vancouver-Fraser Park District, and approved it for immediate orwarding to the Park District.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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BURKE MOUNTAIN COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, November 5th, 1969

A meeting of the Burke Mountain Committee convened in the Conference, 18 1969 Room at the Municipal Hall, 1111 Brunette Avenue, Coquitlam, B.C. NOV 18 1969 on Wednesday, November 5th, 1969 at 7.30 p.m.

The following were present: Chairman, Ald. R. J. Gamache; Mr. T. Holtby, Mr. M. Diener, Mr. R. Gareau, Mr. Bert Ball and Mr. T. Klassen, Assistant Municipal Clerk.

BURKE MOUNTAIN VILLAGE

Ald. Gamache informed the Committee of the situation with regard to the lots in Burke Mountain Village which is as follows:

- 1. 180 leases issued.
- 2. Twenty-five cabins built.
- 3. Six cabins presently under construction with posts in and permits issued.
- 4. Thirty-one leases available to issue.
- 5. Sixty-six applicants on waiting list to obtain leases for lots in the Village.

ENLARGEMENT OF COMMITTEE & APPOINTMENT OF WATCHMAN

Ald. Gamache suggested to the Committee that possibly it should be enlarged by two members to better control development and policing of the Burke Mountain Park, however, no action was taken on this matter at this time.

The possibility of hiring a watchman was discussed and it was felt by the Committee that such a man should be hired when more than 50% of the lots available within the Village are occupied and in order to finance the hiring of a watchman a \$1.00 per month per cabin assessment be made. It was felt by the Committee that 50% of the lots would be constructed upon within a two year period.

OUTSIDE PRIVIES

Discussion on the matter of disposal of residue from chemical toilets, in view of the fact that several cabins do not have outdoor toilets and it was felt that all cabin owners should provide such a facility.

MOVED BY MR. HOLTBY SECONDED BY MR. GAREAU:

That all chemical toilet residue must be disposed of in an existing permanent privy.

CARRIED

DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE

The matter of disposal of garbage was also discussed and the following action taken:

MOVED BY MR. HOLTBY SECONDED BY MR. GAREAU:

That all garbage must be packed and disposed of in a ravine with no garbage to be disposed of within the Village.

CARRIED

BRUSH CLEARING

MOVED BY MR. GAREAU SECONDED BY MR. HOLTBY:

That all cabin owners be instructed that they are responsible to cut all brush and clean all branches from the total area of their lots.

CARRIED

WATER RIGHTS - DIENER CREEK

Mr. Ball reported to the Committee that Burke Mountain Resorts had installed a new pumping system to service their lodge with water at an approximate cost of \$500 in 1969.

DELIVERY OF LUMBER

The matter of lot holders having lumber delivered to Burke Mountain was discussed and it was agreed by the Committee that when a permit is issued the prospective owner be instructed as to where his lumber should be delivered on the Mountain.

ROAD AGREEMENT - BURKE MOUNTAIN RESORTS AND MARCO TIMBER

Mr. Ball of Burke Mountain Resorts reported to the Committee that he has reached an agreement with Marco Timber for the use of the first 1.5 miles of the Burke Mountain Road, this being done in connection with his agreement with the Municipality to service and maintain the road. It was noted by the Committee that the Agreement contained the mention of a gate to be placed across the road approximately 200 feet north of the Gun Club.

MOVED BY MR. HOLTBY SECONDED BY MR. GAREAU:

That the Burke Mountain Committee write to Marco Timber requesting that each member of the Committee be given a key to the proposed gate as secondary access and that a key also be given to the Municipality for access to the gravel pit.

CARRIED

MR. E. STEVENSON - LOT 282

Ald. Gamache reported to the meeting that Mr. Stevenson had hired a logger and had cut three trees on his lot without permission and that as a result of this permission had been withdrawn for Mr. Stevenson to commence construction of his cabin as this was a violation of the agreement. It was reported that the trees that were removed were where the cabin would eventually be placed. Ald. Gamache asked the Committee for their opinion as to whether or not Mr. Stevenson should be allowed to keep his lease and build a cabin on said Lot 282.

MOVED BY MR. HOLTBY SECONDED BY MR. GAREAU:

That a letter be sent to Mr. Stevenson informing him that he may retain the lease on Lot 282, however, he should carefully study the by-law governing the Burke Mountain Village and that if any further violation of the by-law is committed by him, his lease will be immediately cancelled.

CARRIED

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Ald. Gamache also informed the Committee that Mr. Stevenson had applied to construct the cabin which was not in conformity with the existing by-law but was of geodesic dome type of construction. Discussion took place as to whether this type of construction should be permitted and, if so, how the Municipality could be protected in case of collapse under heavy winter snows.

MOVED BY MR. DEINER SECONDED BY MR. HOLTBY:

That Mr. Stevenson have his plans checked and stamped by a Registered Professional Engineer and that he submit a letter to the Municipality that he will not hold the Municipality responsible for any injuries or damage should the cabin collapse. Also, the plans to include specifications as to how the cabin will be ventilated during the winter.

CARRIED

DEPARTMENT OF LANDS - LEASE FOR PARKING LOT

A letter dated October 27th, 1969 was received from the Department of Lands granting the Municipality a ten year lease on property to be used as a parking lot for the proposed chair lift to the Burke Mountain Resort. The letter noted that the District of Coquitlam would have to advise the Land Commissioner in New Westminster within thirty days from the date of the letter whether or not they are prepared to accept the terms and conditions as set out in their letter of October 27, 1969 and, further, that a survey by B.C. Land Surveyor would have to be done within six months of the date of the letter. Mr. Ball informed the Committee that he has instructed his surveyor, Mr. Scobbie, to proceed with the survey in order to meet the deadline as set out in the letter of October 27th, 1969.

MOVED BY MR. HOLTBY SECONDED BY MR. DEINER:

That a letter be written to the Department of Lands advising them that the Municipality is prepared to accept the terms and conditions as set out in their letter of October 27th, 1969 and request that the lease be changed from ten years to twenty-one years because of the total amount of the investment which would be involved.

CARRIED

HARPER ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

By-Law No. 1748, being the by-law to allow Burke Mountain Resorts to construct a movable barrier within one hundred yards to the north of the site of the Coquitlam Gun Club, was discussed by the Committee. The by-law makes provisions for Burke Mountain Resorts to close Harper Road to traffic from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. from the 1st day of May to the 30th day of September and between the hours of 6 p.m. and 8 a.m. for the remainder of the year.

The Committee discussed difficulty with cabin owners being able to reach their cabin at times when the gate would be closed.

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MOVED BY MR. DEINER SECONDED BY MR. HOLTBY:

That the Burke Mountain Committee endorse the by-law provided that a key be made available to each cabin owner as well as each member of the Burke Mountain Committee.

CARRIED

CONDITION OF BURKE MOUNTAIN ROAD

The Committee discussed the condition of the Burke Mountain Road as a result of logging operations and Mr. Ball agreed to arrange for the road to be passable for trucks this coming weekend and future weekends and went on to explain the type of work that he would be doing on the road in the coming year in accordance with the agreement between the Municipality and Burke Mountain Resorts. Mr. Ball will be forwarding a brief to the Municipal Engineer outlining the work to be carried out on the road this season.

CANADIAN SKI PATROL

Ald. Gamache presented a letter from Mark Rose which had attached a letter from the Canadian Ski Patrol seeking his support in obtaining funds for their organization to continue their work. Ald. Gamache asked Mr. Deiner to write to the Canadian Ski Patrol to obtain information and also to write Mr. Mark Rose that he is seeking such information from this group.

FIRST AID

The matter of first aid was discussed by the Committee and Ald. Gamache stated that he was looking for a recognizable insignia which qualified people could wear, as well as having posted in conspicuous places.

The Committee also noted that some cabins were not presently outfitted with fire extinguishers and first aid kits and it was felt that these people should be informed that the by-law requires each cabin owner to have and maintain a first aid kit and a fire extinguisher in the cabin.

TIMBER CUTTING LICENSE

Mr. Ball of Burke Mountain Resorts requested the Committee's permission to amend cutting boundaries in accordance with the application submitted to the District Forester by the Municipality on October 21st together with accompanying maps. The Committee at this time were not prepared to approve Mr. Ball's request and requested that he present a map showing where green areas would be left in the cutting area and that once the Committee has this they will discuss it further at another meeting.

The Committee approved in principle the extension of the cutting license itself, that standing timber should be left on the revised boundary.

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BURKE MOUNTAIN RESORTS EXTENSION TO BUILDING BOUNDARY

Mr. Ball of Burke Mountain Resorts Ltd. by way of a letter dated October 29th, 1969 requested permission to amend the building boundaries to include an area of approximately 18 acres to be used for buildings necessary for the operation of their ski resort.

MOVED BY MR. HOLTBY SECONDED BY MR. DEINER:

That the Burke Mountain Committee approve the extension of building boundaries for Burke Mountain Ski Resort Ltd. to include eighteen acres as shown on plan attached to letter dated October 29th, 1969.

CARRIED

MOVED BY MR. DEINER SECONDED BY MR. HOLTBY:

That the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED

CHAIRMAN