



# ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 24, 2000

The first Regular Meeting of the Environment Committee of Council convened on Monday, January 24, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Committee Room, City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam, BC with the following persons present:

Committee Members Present: Councillor M. Reid, Chair

Councillor M. Rei F. Donnelly P. Zevit E. Ward K. Wood S. Aronetz I. McArthur E. Hodge



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Committee Members Absent D. Dewell

H. Warren

Also Present

Staff Present:

Al Geissler, Project Manager Water Use Plan, B.C. Hydro

B. Elliott, General Manager Leisure & Parks Services
M. Nihls, Manager Parks & Environmental Services Division
Warren Jones, City Clerk
K. Lore, Committee Clerk

# **ITEM I - MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 29, 1999**

The Committee approved the minutes of the Environment Committee Regular Meeting held November 29, 1999.

# **ITEM II – APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Committee approved the Agenda of the Environment Committee Regular Meeting of January 24, 2000 Environment Committee Regular Meeting Minutes January 24, 2000

#### **ITEM II - BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

The suggested "Agenda Framework" was approved by the Committee with one Revision made.

#### **ITEM III - NEW BUSINESS**

## General

505-1 New Committee Member Introduction

Councillor Reid facilitated introductions of Committee Members and Staff.

F. Donnelly requested that Committee Members receive an updated list of Members and their telephone numbers. A member list was passed around for updating, and will be distributed at the next meeting.

#### Visioning/Planning

505-2 Environment Committee Terms of Reference – Annual Review

Committee Members received and approved the Committee's Terms of Reference

#### **Committee Development**

505-3 Upper Pitt River Slide Show

Committee Member, I. McArthur, provided a slide presentation on the Pitt River Watershed. The presentation depicted, among other things, some of the natural features of the area, the wide range of recreational opportunities that exist, that the area is a natural habitat for a variety of animals, and the negative effects of gravel pit operations on the natural surroundings.

It was suggested that new Members especially, may wish to follow up on the slide presentation by reading the Almanac. M. Nihls agreed to forward copies of the Almanac to new Committee Members.

#### **Action Plan**

#### 505-4 Coquitlam River Corridor Strategy – Feedback on Draft Strategy

Because of the unscheduled attendance of a delegation from BC Hydro it was decided by the Committee that, in order that the delegation may give a presentation, discussion of the CRC Strategy would be postponed until the next Regular Meeting of the Committee. B. Elliott requested that Committee Members bring to the next meeting any written comments, suggestions, and/or word changes to the Draft Strategy, so that the Consultant could do a re-write.

#### **Education & Communications**

#### 505-5 Environment Committee – Annual Report, 1999

The Committee agreed that the following changes be made to the 1999 Annual Report of the Environment Committee:

- i. Replace the heading "Action Plan" on page 1 with "Standard Agenda Items"
- ii. Number 1, under Standard Agenda Items, replace the word "operating" with the word "Action"
- iii. Replace the heading on page 3 titled "1999 Environmental Committee Operating Plan" with the heading "1999 Environmental Committee Priority Action Items" and move this section so that it is under #1 of Standard Agenda Items.
- iv. Include the tenth recommendation to Council from the November 29, 1999 Committee Meeting in the *Report*.

The Committee recommends that the 1999 Annual Report of the Environment Committee be received.

#### **Issues & Hot Spots**

505-6 Around the Table

Upon reviewing the *Draft Watercourse Protection Strategy*, E. Ward voiced concerns over the lack of public input and information available to the public with regards to the proposed changes in the Stream Classification System as part of the North East Sector Stream Stewardship Program

COUNCIL ACTION ACTION Fin Donnelly reported that the Land Trust Sub-Committee had met with members of the Coquitlam Foundation, and had discussed the idea of **a** local land trust. The Foundation was open to the idea of working with the Sub-Committee in this regard. The next step will be to find local members who would like to sit on the Committee. The offer was put out to any interested Environment Committee members.

S.Cooke-Aronetz reported that the River Springs residents had discussed the planting of greenery adjacent to the water courses.

P. Zevit reported that at a Public Hearing held January 20, 2000 members of the Society had presented to Council their concerns and recommendations regarding a Redevelopment Proposal. The result has been to facilitate a dialogue between the Developer and the Society.

E. Hodge reported that the GVRD may want a substantial increase in the water supplied from the Coquitlam River because of limitations of the Seymour Dam, and thus the Seymour Water Supply. They have however, put this idea on hold until the Water Use Plan is completed.

I. MacArthur reported that the Burke Mountain Naturalists are holding a walk around Colony Farm on Saturday, January 29, 2000 at 9:00 a.m.

The Douglas College Coquitlam Pit Operators Partnership will be holding a "Greening of the Gravel" Symposium and Trade Show on March 25, 2000- from 9:30 to 4:30 at the Douglas College Campus.

M. Nihls informed the Committee that he would be attending a meeting of the Partnership to be held Tuesday, January 25, 2000, and will provide an update to the Committee at the next meeting.

#### **ITEM IV - OTHER BUSINESS**

#### 505-7 Delegation by B.C. Hydro

Al Geissler appeared at the meeting and was given an opportunity to address the Committee on BC Hydro's Water Use Plans At present, BC Hydro has 30 plans to complete in a five year period, at an estimated cost of \$25 million. The Coquitlam/Buntzen Lake plan is one of these plans. Currently, BC Hydro is undertaking a 13 step process as outlined by the Provincial Government, the first nine steps of which require a full consultation process. At the moment, they are in the process of developing a Public Consultation Report. It is believed that the biggest challenge to the Water Use Plans will be reaching consensus at the table. Information booklets entitled "Coquitlam/Buntzen Generating System" and "Water Use Planning at BC Hydro Buildings" were given to Committee members, and the Province's *Water Use Plan Guidelines* will be filed in the Environment Library.

#### 505-8 Tree Retention

It was agreed by the Committee that the issue of tree retention would be something to explore at future meetings.

#### 505-9 Presentation on Watershed Protection by Zen Burger

The Committee agreed to set aside the April 25 Regular Meeting of the Committee for a presentation by Zen Burger of UBC, on Watershed Protection. It was agreed that the whole meeting would be dedicated to this presentation and that the Mayor and Councillors, and possibly members of the public should be invited.

#### 505-10 Future Meeting Dates

The Committee agreed to continue meeting on a monthly basis, on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month (whenever possible) at 6:00 p.m., and set the following meeting dates:

Monday, February 28, 200 Monday, March 27, 2000 Tuesday, April 25, 2000

#### 505-11 Thanks to City Staff

On behalf of the Committee, F. Donnelly wished to acknowledge the efforts and work of City Staff the previous year and to thank them for their help and support with the Environment Committee.

#### ITEM V - ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Kerri Lore, Committee Clerk

CHAIR



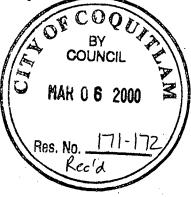


# ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 28, 2000

A Regular Meeting of the Environment Committee convened on Monday, February 28, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Committee Room, City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam, BC with the following persons present:

Committee Members Present: Councillor M. Reid, Chair

F. Donnelly P. Zevit E. Ward K. Wood S. Aronetz I. McArthur E. Hodge D. Dewell H. Warren



Staff Present:

B. Elliott, General Manager Leisure & Parks Services
M. Nihls, Manager Parks & Environmental Services Division
J. Wilkie, Manger Corporate Planning
R. Innes, Planner – Planning and Development Services
K. Lore, Committee Clerk

#### **ITEM I - MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 29, 1999**

The Committee approved the minutes of the Environment Committee Regular Meeting held January 24, 2000, with the following corrections made:

505-3: Coquitlam River and Upper Pit River Slide Show

505-9: Correct spelling of name: Paul Zandburger

# **ITEM II – APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Committee approved the Agenda of the Environment Committee Regular Meeting of February 28, 2000

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#### **ITEM III - BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Nil

#### **ITEM IV - NEW BUSINESS**

#### 513-1 Visioning/Planning: Overview of 1999 Vision and Priority Issues for Environment Committee

The Committee reviewed the report submitted by the General Manger Leisure and Parks Services, "Overview of 1999 Vision and Priority Issues for Environment Committee".

M. Nihls gave a brief overview of the Committee's development and vision over the previous year, referring to the document "What is Your Vision of the Environment of Coquitlam in 20 Years". He then explained how this Vision Statement was used to establish two supporting documents: "Broad Categories for Priority Issues", and the Committee's "Suggested Framework" for Committee Agendas.

F. Donnelly also gave a short recap of the 1999 year, and suggested that the Committee, at another Meeting, revisit the Top Priority List to determine where the Committee should direct their attention for the year 2000, it perhaps being more tangible to focus on *fewer* issues.

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## *Committee Development:* Video – "Stormwater – The Forgotten Resource."

The Committee viewed the Video "Stormwater – the Forgotten Resource." The Video showed ways to reduce the effects of surface runoff on Aquatic eco-systems, and highlighted the principles and practices associated with integrating Stormwater Management and Stream Corridor Management objectives. The video provided to the Committee, an overview of a variety of planning tools and best management practices that are currently being examined as part of the Como Creek Watershed Management Plan process recently approved by City Council.

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# 513-3 <u>Action Plan: Coquitlam River Corridor Strategy</u> – Feedback on Draft Strategy.

The Committee went through the first draft of the Coquitlam River Corridor Strategy, and made suggestions for change and revision to the document.

A revised draft of the *Strategy* will be Tabled for the next Meeting Agenda.

#### 513-4 Action Plan: Coquitlam River Task Force - Verbal Report

M. Nihls gave a verbal update to the Committee on the status of the Coquitlam River Task Force. The Committee reviewed and discussed the composition of the Task Force.

The Committee recommends that Council approve the Appointees to to the Coquitlam River Task Force, as listed in the attached Staff Report for the February 28, 2000 Environment Committee Meeting.

# 513-5 *Education and Communication:* City of Coquitlam Strategic Planning Process – Verbal Report by Manager Corporate Planning.

J. Wilkies, Manager Corporate Planning, gave an overview of the City's Strategic Planning Process, and R. Innes from Planning and Development Services, spoke on the City wide Official Community Plan and the Public Participation Process. Being that Council Committees have been identified as key players in the Process, they requested that they be permitted to return to the Committee near the end of April to seek Members' input into issue identification.

M. Nihls agreed to make arrangements for them to attend a future Meeting.

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## 513-6 <u>Issues and Hot Spots</u>: - Fresh Water Exports – Verbal Update by Committee Member F. Donnelly.

F. Donnelly gave an update on the status of the NAFTA policy development related to Canadian fresh water exports, asking Committee Members to think about how it can impact locally – on our lakes and drinking water.

F. Donnelly advised that the full GATT text is available on the Internet, and that he could provide further information on the issue to anyone who wished to have it.

#### V – OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Reid reported on the City's position with regards to the recent logging of trees atop a bank on Pipeline Road, just beyond the SPCA. Being that the trees were on private property, and there were no bylaw infractions, the City has no jurisdiction in the matter.

#### VI – NEXT MEETING DATE

The Committee agreed that the next Meeting would be scheduled for March 27, 2000 at 6:00 p.m.

#### VII – ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the Meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Kerri Lorel Committee Clerk

CHAIR





# ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MARCH 27, 2000

A Regular Meeting of the Environment Committee convened on Monday, March 27, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Committee Room, City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam, BC with the following persons present:

Committee Members Present: Councillor M. Reid, Chair

P. Zevit E. Ward K. Wood S. Aronetz I. McArthur D. Dewell H. Warren F. Donnelly



Committee Members Absent: E. Hodge

Guests:

C. Bemister, Community Relations Coordinator, B.C. Hydro

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Staff Present:

B. Elliott, General Manager Leisure & Parks Services
M. Nihls, Manager Parks & Environmental Services Division
R. Innes, Planner – Planning and Development Services
K. Lore, Committee Clerk

# **ITEM I - MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 28, 2000**

The Committee approved the minutes of the Environment Committee Regular Meeting held February 28, 2000

# **ITEM II – APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Committee approved the Agenda of the Environment Committee Regular Meeting of March 27, 2000, with the following changes:

- 513-4 be placed first on the Agenda
- 513-3 be placed second on the Agenda

# **ITEM III - BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Nil

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#### ITEM IV - NEW BUSINESS

Visioning Planning

No Report

#### 513-4 Education & Communication: Salmon Friendly Design Charette

R. Innes reported on the Salmon Friendly Design Charette that he and Councillor Reid had attended in Seattle, March 13. The Charette focused on the restoration of salmon habitats and ways in which areas could be made more "salmon friendly."

The results of the Charette are available on the internet: <u>www.cityofseattle.net</u> under the section "Whats Hot" – Saving our Salmon.

#### 513-3 Education & Communication: BC Hydro – Coquitlam/Buntzen Water Use Plan

C. Bemister, Community Relations Coordinator, B.C. Hydro, gave an update to the Committee on the progress of B.C. Hydro's Water Use Plan. Ms. Bermister gave an overview of what the Water Use Plan is, the process being undertaken, what has been done so far, and what the next steps are.

#### 513-1 Committee Development: Video – "Greening the Gravel"

The Committee viewed the video "Greening the Gravel," a historical account of gravel pit operations and gravel pit redevelopment in the City of Coquitlam. The video focused on ways in which the land has been reclaimed after the gravel pits were gone (i.e. What was once the GVRD Gravel Pit is now the site of Douglas College, Pinetree Community Centre and Secondary School, and the City Centre Aquatic Complex).

Committee members requested a map depicting all of the gravel pits which have existed in the City. M. Nihls agreed to look into obtaining such a map.

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#### 513-2 Action Plan: Coquitlam River Corridor Strategy

The Committee received a Revised Draft of the Coquitlam River Corridor Strategy. It was agreed that if Members had further changes or suggestions that they would arrange to discuss these with B. Elliott at another time, so that Meeting time could be dedicated to focusing on the next steps (i.e. a work plan, determining funding needs, presenting the Strategy to Council for adoption).

The Committee reviewed pages 6 and 7 of the Strategy "Long Term Goals" and "Short Term Actions". It was agreed that a map was needed in order to identify the study zone and to ascertain the whereabouts of private landowners in the study zone. B. Elliott agreed to provide the Committee with a "land use" map at a future date.

The Committee agreed that they needed to look at: what's being done; what needs to be done, and; how much it is going to cost. A budget could then be determined, and the Committee could look at possible sources of funding.

F. Donnelly reported that CRWS (Coquitlam River Watershed Society) was willing to work with the Committee on the development and implementation of the Strategy. E. Ward requested, through the Chair, a list of CRWS' Members. F. Donnelly agreed to provide Councillor Reid with this list.

#### 513-5 Issues and Hot Spots: Tree Cutting Bylaw on Steep Slopes

Councillor Reid reported that recent changes to the *Municipal Act* allow Cities to choose to protect trees on *all* types of lands, and that the City could thus amend it's current bylaw, to cover those lands that are not specifically identified as "sensitive" in the Schedule to the Bylaw.

The Committee recommends that Council request that staff look into amending the Tree Cutting Permit Bylaw to require a permit for cutting trees on steep slopes in addition to those lands currently identified in the Schedule to the Bylaw.

513-6 Issues and Hot Spots: Around the Table

P. Zevit reported that the proposed Francophone School which was slated to be built beside Millside School is no longer going ahead. The land however, is still zoned as "institutional", and there thus still exists the issue of ensuring that the land is protected as a "flood plane".

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P. Zevit reported that the vegetation plan had been completed on the west side of and that over 1000 plants have gone in over the last month.

D. Dewell reported that there will be a Fry Release at Hoy Creek on May 6.

F. Donnelly reported that the Rivershed Society's Annual General Meeting will be held April 26 at Douglas College, in the Boardroom, 7:00 p.m, and that CRWS's Meetings are held the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at Pinetree Community Centre, 7:00 p.m. CRWS's Annual General Meeting will be held in May.

I. MacArthur reported that the next meeting of the Burke Mountain Naturalists will be April 11, 7:30 p.m. at Como Lake United Church, with Chris Laustru appearing as a presenter. The Fingerling Festival willb be May 6 at Noons Creek, and there will be a Walk at DeBoville Slew on May 7.

M. Nihls advised the Committee that Paul Zandburgen would not be able to attend the April 25 Committee Meeting.

M. Nihls distributed to the Committee a "Summary of the Streamside Protection Regulation Workshop" held on February 2, 2000 and compiled by the UBCM

#### V – OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

#### VI – NEXT MEETING DATE

The Committee agreed that the next Meeting would be scheduled for April 25, 2000 at 7:00 p.m.

#### VII – ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the Meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Kerri Lore, Committee Clerk

CHAIR





# ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES APRIL 25, 2000

A Regular Meeting of the Environment Committee convened on Tuesday, April 25, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Committee Room, City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam, BC with the following persons present:

Committee Members Present: Councillor M. Reid, Chair

F. Donnelly P. Zevit E. Ward K. Wood S. Aronetz I. McArthur E. Hodge D. Dewell H. Warren



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Staff Present:

B. Elliott, General Manager Leisure & Parks ServicesM. Nihls, Manager Parks & Environmental Services DivisionM. Esovoloff, Mapping Technician, Leisure & Parks ServicesK. Lore, Committee Clerk

# ITEM I - MINUTES OF MARCH 27, 2000

The Committee approved the minutes of the Environment Committee Regular Meeting held March 27, 2000, as amended.

# **ITEM II – APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Committee approved the Agenda of the Environment Committee Regular Meeting of April 25, 2000

#### **ITEM III - BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

M. Nihls distributed to Committee Members a map of the *Historic Gravel Pits of* Coquitlam - 1930's to 1990's, a copy of which is attached hereto and forms a part of these Minutes.

#### **ITEM IV - NEW BUSINESS**

513-1 Visioning/Planning: Revisions to Priority Issues for Environment Committee

The Committee reviewed the revised *Environment Committee Priority Issues with Recommended Actions.* 

Referring to the "Environmental Data Inventory" section of the *Priority Issues* list, Councillor Reid asked that there be made available a map showing all the rivers and streams in Coquitlam, and the Streamkeeping Groups that are looking after them.

Furthermore, under the section entitled "Education" she would like to add mandatory recycling in Coquitlam Schools, and advised that she will refer this issue to the City/School Board Liaison Committee.

M. Nihls agreed to bring to the next Meeting information on the "Great Tree Hunt" as undertaken by the City of Burnaby, and an updated *Priority Issues* list with an added "status" column.

#### 513-2 *Committee Development:* Environmental Mapping Initiatives

M. Esovoloff, Leisure & Parks Mapping Technician made a presentation to the Committee related to various Environmental Mapping Initiatives the City is currently involved in through partnerships with a number of educational institutions, government agencies and community groups.

513-3 Action Plan: Coquitlam River Corridor Strategy – Feedback on Revisions of the Draft Strategy (focus on next steps)

> Fin Donnelly distributed to Committee Members copies of the *revised Draft Copy of the Coquitlam River Corridor Strategy*. He advised that his revisions were not yet complete and that he would work on the *Draft* further before it is presented to Council

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The Committee agreed that section #6 of the Strategy (p.5) - "request that council have this E.C. review development proposals (solicit input from the E.C.), to assess environmental impacts associated with the proposals" should be reworded, as it was agreed this suggestion is premature and will likely cause frustration and anger by slowing down the development allocation process. It was agreed that Councillor Reid would work with M. Nihls, B. Elliott and F. Donnelly to reword this.

## 513-4 *Education & Communication:* City of Coquitlam Strategic Planning Process – Community Questionnaire

M. Nihls distributed to the Committee copies of the City's Strategic Planning Process – *Community Questionnaire*. Committee members were urged to complete this questionnaire and return it to one of the locations listed on the back page of the *Questionnaire*.

# 513-5 *Education and Communication:* Award from Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Partners for Climate Protection Program – Milestone

The Committee received the Report of the General Manager Leisure and Parks Services dated April 19, 2000, entitled Award from Federation of Canadian Municipalities - Partners for Climate Protection Program – Milestone 1 for information.

# 513-6 *Issues and Hot Spots*: Proposed Mainland Sand & Gravel Mining Operation in the Upper Pitt River Watershed

M. Nihls advised that this item was referred, by Council, to the Environment Committee as information. Councillor Reid suggested that Committee Members take this information back to their respective groups for action.

513-7 *Issues and Hot Spots:* Burke Mountain Naturalists – Protection of Riverview Hospital Site – Referred to Environment Committee

M. Nihls advised that this item was referred, by Council, to the Environment Committee, for review and a report back to Council.

Staff was directed to work on the Resolution "Preservation of the Riverview Hospital Site" drafted by the Burke Mountain Naturalists, and to bring the revised Resolution to the next Meeting for approval by the Committee.

#### 513-8 *Issues and Hot Spots:* Around the Table

The Committee engaged in an information sharing session:

Councillor Reid gave a brief update to the Committee on the March 30 Meeting of the Coquitlam River Aggregate Task Force.

H. Warren requested a map of the Trans Canada Trail (local section). M. Nihls agreed to bring copies of this map to the next Meeting of the Committee.

P. Zevit informed the Committee that the property on which the Francophone School was going to be built has been given back to the School District, and that her group will be sending a letter to the School District asking them to designate this land as a "protected flood plain".

E. Hodge reported on the most recent BC Hydro Water Use Meeting.

F. Donnelly passed around the CRWS Newsletter for Committee Members to read.

I. McArthur distributed copies of R.A.C.E.'s Newsletter to the Committee

D. Dewell advised the Committee that the Fry Release at Hoy Creek is on May 7, *not* May 6.

M. Nihls gave a brief update to the Committee on the C.P.O.P.s Meeting that he had attended that morning.

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# V – OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

# VI – NEXT MEETING DATE

The Committee agreed that the next Meeting would be scheduled for May 23, 2000.

# VII – ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Kerri Lore, Committee Clerk

CHAIR---

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# ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MAY 23, 2000

A Regular Meeting of the Environment Committee convened on Tuesday, May 23, 2000 at 6:05 p.m. in the Council Committee Room, City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam, BC with the following persons present:

Committee Members Present: Councillor M. Reid, Chair

Councillor M. Reid, Chai F. Donnelly P. Zevit S. Cook-Aronetz I. McArthur E. Hodge D. Dewell H. Warren



Committee Members Absent: E. Ward

Guests:

S. Haberger N. Gillespie

K. Wood

Staff Present:

B. Elliott, General Manager Leisure & Parks ServicesM. Nihls, Manager Parks & Environmental Services DivisionK. Lore, Committee Clerk

# **ITEM I - MINUTES OF MARCH 27, 2000**

The Committee approved the minutes of the Environment Committee Regular Meeting held April 25, 2000.

# **ITEM II – APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Committee revised the Agenda of the Environment Committee Regular Meeting of May 23, 2000, to allow for a presentation by the Riverview Horticultural Centre Society, and to make Item 513-5 the first order of business to occur after the Presentation. The Committee approved the revised Agenda.

#### **ITEM III - BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Nil

#### **ITEM IV - NEW BUSINESS**

#### 513-0 *Presentation* – Riverview Horticultural Centre Society

Ms. S. Haberger, Riverview Horticultural Centre Society was present to provide an overview to the Committee of the Riverview Horticultural Centre Society and the Riverview lands. She advised that the Society wishes are for the land to remain public and dedicated to Mental Health. She distributed to Committee Members copies of the Riverview Horticultural Society Position Paper (1996) – Issues of Land Use Planning, a copy of which is attached hereto and forms a part of these Minutes.

#### 513-5 *Issues and Hot Spots*: Protection of Riverview Hospital Site

The Committee reviewed the revised Resolution pertaining to the protection of the Riverview Hospital Site. Committee Members agreed that they did not wish to see the Advisory Process opened up again, but rather that the land be left as it is. It was therefore agreed to omit the section "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED That the City of Coquitlam request the Provincial government to re-initiate and complete the Riverview Land Use Advisory Process begun in 1996, and now on hold."

It was further agreed that mention of the 244 acres should be incorporated into the Resolution. Staff agreed to make further revisions to the Resolution, and to bring a revised draft to the next Regular Meeting of the Committee.

#### 513-1 Visioning/Planning: Priority Issues with Recommended Actions

The Committee reviewed the revised (May 12) *Environment Committee Priority Issues with Recommended Actions.* 

The Committee agreed to add "institutional" to 3.ii, so that schools would be included: "Expand recycling program (residential, commercial, industrial, *and institutional*).

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The Committee discussed the idea of creating a Mascot (i.e. Freddy Fish)a visual identity image geared towards kids. M. Nihls agreed to bring some ideas to future Meetings.

## 513-2 Action Plan: Coquitlam River Corridor Strategy – Feedback on Revisions of the Draft Strategy

M. Nihls distributed to Committee Members for information, a revised copy of the *Coquitlam River Watershed Major Stressors by Area*, and a copy of a map delineating *Public Land and Privately Owned Land Situated Adjacent To Coquitlam River*. He advised that a copy of the Report listing the land/home owners along the Coquitlam River Watershed is available in the database.

The Committee reviewed proposed changes and revisions to the *Coquitlam River Corridor Strategy*. Committee Members agreed to make some further revisions to the Strategy. M. Nihls agreed to make the suggested revisions.

# ILThe Committee Recommends that Council approve the CoquitlamVRiver Corridor Strategy, as amended.

513-3 *Education & Communication:* City of Coquitlam Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA) inventory and ESA Management Guideline Study

The Environment Committee received the report of the General Manager Leisure and Parks Services dated 2000 May 16, entitled "Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESA)" and "ESA Management Guidelines Study."

The Committee agreed to devote the June 26, 2000 Regular Meeting of the Committee to an information session on ESA, and to hold a *Community* Workshop on the same evening (to occur *after* the Committee Meeting), to review project details and provide input into the consulting team of Robertson Environmental Services Limited related to Environmentally Sensitive Area selection and evaluation criteria. It was agreed that the

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Committee Meeting time would be changed to 5:00 p.m., and that the Community Workshop would begin at 7:00 p.m.

Staff agreed to arrange for advertising of the Community Workshop in the local papers.

# 513-4 *Education and Communication:* Information on establishing "Great Tree Hunt" programs

The Committee received the Report of the General Manager Leisure and Parks Services dated 2000 May 18, entitled "Information on Establishing 'Great Tree Hunt' Programs," for information purposes.

#### V – OTHER BUSINESS

#### <u>Around the Table</u>

M. Nihls reported that staff had contacted Armoral regarding their "National Car Wash Day" and that Armoral did not have an interest in putting out information on environmentally friendly car washing. The City has thus, in the May 24th issue of *The Now*, put out a community announcement regarding car washing and environmental safeguards, a copy of which is attached hereto and forms a part of these Minutes.

M. Nihls distributed to Committee Members a map showing the route of the Trans Canada Trail through Coquitlam. Port Moody and Port Coquitlam did not have maps available. A copy of the Map is attached hereto and forms a part of these Minutes.

Councillor Reid reported on the May 4, 2000 Meeting of the Coquitlam River Aggregate Task Force. I. McArthur suggested that the Environment Committee, at a future Meeting, discuss possible options for addressing sediment runoff to take to the Task Force.

P. Zevit reported that CRWS' *Annual Report* will be out next week, and that a copy will be forwarded to the City.

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E. Hodge advised that CRWS' Annual General Meeting will be held Thursday, May 25, 2000 at Pinetree Community Centre.

D. Dewell reported that Hoy Creek will be hosting its first Open House on June 17, 2000 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

I.McArthur reported that the next Meeting of the Burke Mountain Naturalists will be held at Riverview on June 13, 2000 at 7:00 p.m., and that on June 10, 2000 the Burke Mountain Naturalists will be holding their Annual Hike to celebrate the 5 year Anniversary of the Pinecone-Burke Park Announcement.

#### VI – NEXT MEETING DATE

The Committee agreed that the next Meeting would be scheduled for June 26, 2000.

#### VII – ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Kerri Lore, Committee Clerk

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	vironment Committee convened on Monday, May 26, 2000 at 5:00 ee Room, City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam, BC with the
Committee Members Present:	<ul> <li>P. Zevit, Acting Chair</li> <li>F. Donnelly</li> <li>S. Cook-Aronetz</li> <li>D. Dewell</li> <li>H. Warren</li> <li>E. Ward</li> <li>K. Wood</li> </ul>

Committee Members Absent:	Councillor M. Reid, Chair I. McArthur E. Hodge
Guests:	Robertson Environmental Services Ltd. Study Team
Staff Present:	M. Nihls, Manager Parks & Environmental Services Division K. Lore, Committee Clerk

# **ITEM I – APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CHAIR**

The Committee appointed P. Zevit Acting Chair for the June 26, 2000 Regular Meeting of the Environment Committee.

#### ITEM II - MINUTES OF MAY 23, 2000

The Committee approved the minutes of the Environment Committee Regular Meeting held May 23, 2000.

# **ITEM III – APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Committee approved the Agenda for the June 26, 2000 Regular Meeting. F. Donnelly asked that the Committee add to the Agenda discussion of a Resolution to be put forward regarding the Northeast Sector OCP.

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#### **ITEM IV - BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Nil.

#### **ITEM V - NEW BUSINESS**

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#### 513-1 Issues and Hot Spots: Protection of Riverview Hospital Site

The Committee reviewed the Revised Draft Resolution entitled "Preservation of Riverview Hospital Site" and agreed that the Resolution be further amended to include after paragraph 7:

"AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Land Use Advisory Process give consideration to the documented views and recommendations of other groups and organizations who have provided input to the Riverview Land Use Advisory Process."

COUNCIL The Committee recommends that Council forward the Resolution entitled "Preservation of Riverview Hospital Site", as amended, to the Provincial Government.

#### 513-2 Northeast Sector OCP

The Committee discussed their views and concerns with regards to the Northeast Sector OCP.

The Committee was advised that if they had concerns they wanted to express to Council with regards to the Northeast Sector OCP that they should express those views by appearing as individual speakers at the Public Hearing scheduled for July 28, 2000

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# MOVED BY H. WARREN AND SECONDED

That the Committee appoint a representative from the Environment Committee to appear on their behalf at the June 28, 2000 Public Hearing on the Northeast Sector OCP.

#### CARRIED

E. Ward, K. Wood, and P. Zevit registered opposition.

D. Dewell was nominated, and agreed to appear on behalf of the Environment Committee at the June 28, 2000 Public Hearing.

The Committee deferred discussion of the content of the Resolution to go to the Public Hearing until after the presentation on Environmentally Sensitive Area selection and evaluation criteria by Robertson Environmental Services Limited

The Committee proceeded to the Council Chambers to receive the said presentation.

### 513-3 *Education and Communication:* City of Coquitlam Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA) Inventory and ESA Management Guidelines Study

A study team (I. Robertson, N. Page, M. McPhee, S. Cullum-Kenyon, L. Wolfe, and P. Kneen) from Robertson Environmental Services Limited was present at the Meeting to give a presentation, and to receive input from the Committee, related to environmentally sensitive area selection and evaluation. The study team would be making the same presentation following the Meeting to members of the Community as part of a Community Workshop put on by the City.

The Committee was advised that the ESA Study consists of two phases. During Phase 1 ESAs will be identified and classified. During Phase 2 management principles and guidelines will be identified for the ESAs, and will become part of the City Wide OCP. The Study is scheduled for completion in November 2000. Assessment and analysis work will occur between June and September. A summary of the presentation, entitled "City of Coquitlam – Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA) Inventory and ESA Management Guidelines Project – Project Introduction and Community Workshop", and a Comment Form, were available to Committee Members, copies of which are attached hereto and form a part of these Minutes.

The Committee returned to the Council Committee Room to continue discussion regarding the content of the Resolution to go to the June 28, 2000 Public Hearing.

#### 513-2 Northeast Sector OCP (Continued)

Committee Members, *with the exception of E. Ward and K. Wood*, agreed on the wording to appear in the Resolution that would be presented by D. Dewell, on behalf of the Environment Committee at the June 28, 2000 Public Hearing.

#### VI – OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee engaged in a round table discussion:

- F. Donnelly reported on various dates and destinations for the Spirit of the Salmon Swim. He also reported that CRWS has elected a new Board.
- D. Dewell reported that construction of a cover for the Capilano Trough will be starting soon.
- S. Cook-Aronetz advised of a recent phone call she received from a resident on Karley Crescent regarding a Fisheries Ditch beside her place. The resident explained that she has not received any response from the City regarding her inquiries and concerns over litter in the ditch, motorized vehicles using the ditch, and the possibility of her back yard flooding. M. Nihls agreed to look into the matter.
- P. Zevit reported that the Como Watershed Group's Annual Report has been completed.
- K. Wood asked that staff provide the Committee with information regarding bylaws on creosoted retaining walls. M. Nihls agreed to bring this information to a future Meeting.

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# VII – NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Meeting is scheduled for July 24, 2000.

# VII – ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Kerri Lore, Committee Clerk

CHAIR

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# ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES 513 SEPTEMBER 25, 2000

A Regular Meeting of the Environment Committee convened on Monday, September 25, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Committee Room, City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam, BC with the following persons present:

Committee Members Present: Councillor M. Reid, Chair

Councillor M. Reid, Cha F. Donnelly S. Cook-Aronetz I. McArthur D. Dewell P. Zevit E. Ward



Committee Members Absent: E. Hodge

H. Warren K. Wood

Staff Present:

M. Nihls, Manager Parks & Environmental Services DivisionE. Chu, Manager Development ServicesJ. Sulmona, Manager Community PlanningC.Roberts, Dev. and Environmental Services CoordinatorK. Lore, Committee Clerk

# **ITEM I - MINUTES OF JUNE 26, 2000**

The Committee approved the minutes of the Environment Committee Regular Meeting held June 26, 2000.

### **ITEM II – APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Committee approved the Agenda for the September 25, 2000 Regular Meeting.

#### **ITEM III - BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Staff from Planning and Development Services (E.Chu, J. Sulmona and C. Roberts) were present at the Meeting to provide the Committee with a brief overview of the status of the Northeast OCP, and to answer and questions or address any concerns that Committee Members had with regards to the Northeast OCP.

#### **ITEM IV - NEW BUSINESS**

# 513-1 Education and Communication: Coquitlam River Crossing Study

J. Sulmona, Manager Community Planning, was present at the Meeting to provide the Committee with an overview of the plans for a Coquitlam River Crossing Study. The Committee was advised that the two proposed crossings for the study are at David Avenue and Lincoln Avenue and that the next step will be to determine the feasibility of these crossings in terms of technology, cost, infrastructure, and impact on the surrounding community and environment. The City will have to consult with Port Coquitlam, DFO, MELP, and the Coast guard with regards to a number of these issues. The Study is expected to be completed in mid-spring 2001.

# 513-2 *Education and Communication:* Environmental Liaison Services Reorganization Overview

M. Nihls advised the Committee of recent organizational changes that the City has undergone with regards to Environmental Services. These changes have included the creation of an Environmental Services Division, headed by C. Roberts, Development and Environmental Services Coordinator, within the Planning and Development Services Department. Two former Leisure and Parks Services employees have been transferred to this new Division in technologist roles. In addition, an Environmental Services Liaison has been employed to join the new Division.

The intent of the reorganization is to improve the effectiveness of the City's environmental liaison services by adding engineering and technical aspects to Environmental Services, and to balance the need for growth with the needs of the environment. Leisure and Parks Services staff will continue to provide assistance in environmental planning, as will Planning and Development staff. Staff support for the Committee will however, be taken over by the Environmental Services Division, with Leisure and Parks staff attending on Agenda specific items only.

#### 513-3 Action Plan: Coquitlam River Corridor Strategy

Discussion ensued regarding "next steps" and "resource requirements" needed to proceed with "Actions" outlined in the Coquitlam River Corridor Strategy.

The following suggestions were put forth as possible "next steps":

- Create a Mascot (i.e. Freddy Fish).
- Host more events like the Salmon Come Home Festival.
- Develop a program "Adopt a River" (similar to the "Adopt a Highway" program in the U.S.). Groups, businesses, schools or individuals could adopt a portion of the Coquitlam River and be responsible for its stewardship.
- Go into schools to raise awareness amongst school children.
- Make Presentations.
- Develop a program similar to the DFO's "Pathways to Fishing Program" in which Stewardship groups, on behalf of the City, would be responsible for attending various venues to promote environmental awareness and education. For example, children could go through a display, at the end of which they would receive a certificate. (It was determined however that such a Program would cost somewhere around \$35,000 - \$40,000 to start up).
- Provide funding to existing Stewardship Groups in the City to fulfill the education role.

The Committee discussed what resources would be needed in order to implement the "Action Plan." It was agreed that funding would be needed to promote education and awareness and to further studies and/or plans.

Staff advised that they will work with local Watershed Groups (i.e. RACE, CRWS) to get a sense of what is required in terms of resources to produce some brochures and educational materials. Once costs are identified it can be determined what can be done within the existing budget and what is needed. Based on the need a strategy to obtain funding can be developed.

#### 513-4 Education and Communication: Stewardship Group Map

The Committee received copies of a map showing Stream Stewardship Groups "Areas of Responsibility" throughout Coquitlam, a copy of which is attached hereto and forms a part of these Minutes.

F. Donnely requested that the Committee be provided with a colour-coded map showing the types and numbers of property owners along the Coquitlam River. Staff agreed to prepare a map to bring to a future Meeting.

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#### VI – OTHER BUSINESS

#### Next Meeting

The Committee discussed having the new Environmental Services Liaison attend the October 30<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Environment Committee. The Committee could then provide her with an overview of their work to date on the Coquitlam River Corridor Strategy.

The Committee also discussed having someone from the Burnaby Watershed Group Pledge Program attend the Meeting to make a presentation.

#### Round Table Discussion

The Committee engaged in a round table discussion in which the following information was shared:

• <u>Burke Mountain Naturalists</u>

McArthur advised that the Burke Mountain Naturalists had recently met at City Hall to participate in an Environmentally Sensitive Area Study Workshop in which they marked on maps areas in which they had observed wildlife. For anyone wishing to add to these maps they will be available at the next Meeting of the Burke Mountain Naturalists, to be held October 10<sup>th</sup>.

#### • <u>Como Watershed Group</u>

P. Zevit advised that the Como Watershed Groups fall newsletter and Activity Sheet is out (attached), and that they have begun work on Nelson Creek for "BC Rivers Day."

#### <u>Salmon Come Home Festival</u>

D. Dewell advised that the Salmon Come Home Festival will be held on October 29<sup>th</sup> at the Hoy Creek Hatchery from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

• <u>Fraser 2000 Spirit of the Salmon Swim</u>

F. Donnelly updated the Committee on the Swim and distributed "post cards" that people could fill out as a personal "rivershed resolution" (attached).

<u>Northeast Coquitlam Sewer</u>
 E. Ward advised of ongoing attempts to secure a sewer system for Northeast Coquitlam.

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# VII – NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Meeting is scheduled for October 30, 2000.

# VII – ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Chair

Kerri Lore

Committee Clerk

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# ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 30, 2000

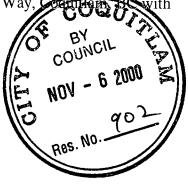
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A Regular Meeting of the Environment Committee convened on Monday, October 30, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Committee Room, City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Common Bowith the following persons present:

Committee Members Present: Councillor M. Reid, Chair

Councillor M. Reid, Ch F. Donnelly S. Cook-Aronetz I. McArthur P. Zevit E. Ward

E. Hodge H. Warren K. Wood



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Committee Members Absent: D. Dewell

Guests:

Staff Present:

T. Saare, Program Coordinator, BCIT Fish, Wildlife & Recreation ProgramB. Gunn, Instructor, BCIT Fish, Wildlife & Rec. Program

M. Nihls, Manager Parks & Environmental Services Division C.Roberts, Dev. and Environmental Services Coordinator S. Dal Santo, Environmental Services Liaison K. Lore, Committee Clerk

# **ITEM I - MINUTES OF JUNE 26, 2000**

The Committee approved the minutes of the Environment Committee Regular Meeting held September 25, 2000.

# ITEM II – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Committee approved the Agenda for the October 30, 2000 Regular Meeting.

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# **ITEM III - BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Nil.

#### **ITEM IV - NEW BUSINESS**

#### 513-1 Committee Development: Presentation - Watershed Pledge Program

Mr. Tom Saare, Program Coordinator, and Mr. Bob Gunn, Instructor, BCIT Fish, Wildlife and Recreation Program were present at the Meeting to give an overview of Burnaby's Watershed Pledge Program. An information package was distributed to the Committee, a copy of which is available in the City Clerks Office.

The Committee was given an opportunity to comment on and ask questions about the Program.

The Committee discussed the possibility of running a monthly ad (a series of pledges) in the local papers, possibly with a coloring contest for children. At the end of the series people could mail their pledges in to receive a plaque.

# 513-2 Action Plan: Coquitlam River Corridor Strategy – Resources required for Local Watershed groups to produce educational brochures

M. Nihls, Manager Parks and Environmental Services Division, advised that City staff would be meeting with Fin Donnelly and the Coquitlam River Watershed Society to identify some of the things that the watershed groups could take on with regards to the brochure. Come December the City will be applying for available grants, and will designate some money from City operating funds for the brochure. In the new year a proposal will be brought back to the Committee.

#### 513-3 Education and Communications: Environmental Liaison Services

S. Dal Santo, the City's new Environmental Services Liaison was introduced to the Committee. She, along with C. Roberts, Development and Environmental Services Coordinator, will be attending and providing staff support for future Meetings of the Committee.

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#### **ITEM V – OTHER BUSINESS**

#### <u>Current Zoning Designations Adjacent to the Coquitlam River</u>

M. Nihls distributed copies of a map showing current zoning designations adjacent to the Coquitlam River, a copy of which is available in the City Clerks Office.

# Agenda Item for November 27th Committee Meeting

I. McArthur noted that Karen Beckanbach, President, Colony Farm Parkland Community Association would like to appear at the next Meeting to speak about the Environment Fair at Colony Farm. Staff agreed to arrange for this presentation.

#### <u>Bylaw No. 3403, 2000</u>

Councillor Reid advised that "City of Coquitlam Tree Cutting Amendment Bylaw No. 3403, 2000" was adopted at the October 19, 2000 Council Meeting.

#### <u>Notice of Motion – Ground Water Management</u>

Councillor Reid reported that at the October 16, 2000 Regular Meeting of Council her Notice of Motion that "suitable measures for groundwater management such as pervious surface materials and other measures promoting infiltration of water be required when developing land in Coquitlam" was passed.

#### **Bear Sightings**

F. Donnelly commented on recent articles in the local papers regarding recent bear sitings and shootings, and the issue of human encroachment on wildlife habitats.

#### Oxbow Lake

S. Cook-Aronetz advised the Committee of a recent oil spill situation at Oxbow Lake. Not sure of the impact of this spill yet.

#### **<u>River Springs Hatchery Release Program</u>**

S. Cook-Aronetz reported on the April 2000 release of Chum, Chinook and Coho from the River Springs Hatchery. So far the Program is going very well. They have seen some Coho returning already.

#### Environment Committee Action Plan

Staff were asked to review the Committee's Action Plan and report back to the Committee on the status of this plan.

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## Coquitlam River Aggregate Task Force Meeting

Councillor Reid reported on the October 4, 2000 Meeting of the Coquitlam River Aggregate Task Force.

#### Hyde Creek Stream keepers

I. McArthur advised that there would be a Meeting of the Hyde Creek Stream keepers on November 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### Burke Mountain Naturalists

I. McArthur noted that the Burke Mountain Naturalists were hosting a walk/hike on November 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### Provincial Gravel Policy Review

- November 21<sup>st</sup>, 7:00 p.m., Coquitlam City Hall Council Chambers
- November 29<sup>th</sup>, Vancouver

#### **ITEM VI – TABLED ITEMS**

- T-1 Stream Stewardship Group Map (revised October 2000)
- T-2 Current Zoning Designations Map Coquitlam River Corridor (November 1999)
- T-3 Citizen Advisory Committees Application Form
- T-4 "City of Coquitlam Tree Cutting Permit Amendment Bylaw No. 3402, 2000."

#### VII – NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Meeting is scheduled for November 27, 2000.

#### VIII - ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Chair

Kerri Lore Committee Clerk

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# ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 27, 2000

A Regular Meeting of the Environment Committee convened on Monday, November 27, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Committee Room, City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam, BC with the following persons present:

Committee Members Present: Councillor M. Reid, Chair

Councillor M. Reid, Ch F. Donnelly I. McArthur P. Zevit D. Dewell E. Hodge

S. Cook-Aronetz

E. Ward H. Warren K. Wood

Committee Members Absent:

Guests:

Staff Present:

E. Chu, Manager Devleopment Services C.Roberts, Dev. and Environmental Services Coordinator K. Lore, Committee Clerk

K. Beckenbach, President Colony Farm Park Association

# **ITEM I - MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Committee approved the minutes of the Environment Committee Regular Meeting held October 30, 2000, with the following amendments:

- ➢ <u>513-2</u>: City staff would be meeting with Fin Donnelly, CRWS, and Ian McArthur, R.A.C.E. ...
- Other Business: Hyde Creek Streamkeepers Hyde Creek Festival (not Meeting) was held November 18<sup>th</sup>.

# **ITEM II – APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Committee approved the Agenda for the November 27,  $2000_{4}$  Regular Meeting.

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#### **ITEM III - BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Nil.

# **ITEM IV - NEW BUSINESS**

#### 513-1 *Education and Communications:* Presentation: Environment Festival

Ms. K. Beckenbach, President Colony Farm Park Association, was present at the Meeting to discuss the Coquitlam Environment Fair 2001.

Ms. Beckenbach advised that they are trying to broaden the fair – rather than focusing on Coquitlam, the fair will be more of a regional event. The name of the Fair has thus been changed to "Environmental Festival and Earth Days." The Festival will be held April 22, 2001 from 11-4 pm at Colony Farm. Invitations will be extended to Port Moody and Port Coquitlam to participate, as well as to some local corporations (i.e. Honda). Due to the limited space available, the Festival Committee is considering having a larger combined display rather than a number of individual displays. The theme of the Festival will be "Nature Knows no Borders."

The Committee was asked if they had any ideas for the Festival. The following are some suggestions that Committee Members offered:

- Charette have 3 local developers participate in a Charette, where they are given a hypothetical situation and asked to develop something environmentally friendly around it.
- Rather than categorize by Cities, categorize by *watersheds*. Challenge watershed groups to develop a display that represents "their" watershed.
- Include BC Hydro in the event challenge BC Hydro to work within the theme to come up with a presentation.

# 513-1 *Visioning/Planning:* Review of Environment Committee achievements and New Directions for 2001

It was asked that a summary of Committee actions for 2000 be brought to the Committee. The Committee was advised that such a report would be going to Council December 4<sup>th</sup> and would be provided to the Committee at their next Meeting.

In terms of "New Directions for 2001" Committee Members suggested the following:

- Continue to work on the Coquitlam River Corridor Strategy, and move towards giving the Strategy over to another body for implementation. Identification of what is still needed before the strategy can be implemented.
- Committee to act as a resource to the Environmental Services Division (i.e. provide input into subdivision bylaws, landscape roofs, permeable surfaces, etc.).
- #3 iii) on the Priority Issues List (revised May 12) "Watershed Protection and Land Acquisition" be addressed and worked on.
- Committee to be involved in discussion around, and provide input into, potential future bridge crossings in the City.
- Invite E. Gold or another member of the Burke Mountain Naturalists to a future meeting to talk on the De Boville Slough.

Staff noted that "new directions for the future" would have to be approved and discussed with the newly appointed 2001 Committee.

#### 513-3 Action Plan: Environment Committee Priority Issues

Discussion of "priority issues" was deferred to the next Meeting of the Committee

#### **ITEM V – OTHER BUSINESS**

<u>Letter to the Editor written by Stephen Mancinelli, Regional Green Party Chair</u> F. Donnelly read aloud a letter written by Stephen Mancinelli, Regional Green Party Chair, regarding the Provincial Government giving public forest (Crown Lands) up for Coquitlam urbanization, and the need for sustainable development.

Discussion ensued regarding growth and sustainable development.

#### CRWS

E. Hodge advised that at the November 22 Meeting of CRWS Ian Robertson (Environmental Consultant working for the City, and for BC Hydro) made a presentation. There is a concern with the fact that Mr. Robertson mentioned only looking at *dedicated* green spaces – why is he not looking at non-dedicated green spaces also?

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#### 101 Schoolhouse Road

Staff were asked to look into the development at 101 Schoolhouse Road and to ensure that the Developer is adhering to the principles agreed to in Meetings with the Como Watershed Group.

#### Managing the Fraser River

There will be a forum entitled "Managing the Fraser River" on November 29, 2000, 7:30 p.m. at the Port Moody Recreation Centre, Room A

#### Burke Mountain Naturalists

The next Meeting of the Burke Mountain Naturalists will be Tuesday, December 12, 7:00 pm at Como Lake United Church, and will include a Christmas Silent Auction, a slide show on Galiano Island, and a review of local hikes.

#### **ITEM VI – TABLED ITEMS**

Nil

#### VII – NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Meeting will be scheduled at the Call of the Chair.

#### VIII – ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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Kerri Lore Committee Clerk Chair