



Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee – Summary 2019/2020

The Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee advises Halifax and West Community Council about planning and management of Point Pleasant Park.

This summary is not an official record of all work and recommendations made in 2019/2020. For more detail, please refer to the approved minutes available online at <https://www.halifax.ca/city-hall/agendas-meetings-reports>

In 2019, the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee (PPPAC) met five (5) times between January 10, 2019 and November 7, 2019. In 2020, the PPPAC met (1) time on March 5, 2020. All meetings scheduled after March 5, 2020 were cancelled due to public health restrictions regarding COVID-19. All regular meetings took place in Halifax Hall in City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax.

The following meeting dates will be covered in this report.

2019:

- January 10, 2019
- March 7, 2019
- May 2, 2019
- June 20, 2019
- November 7, 2019

2020:

- March 5, 2020

January 10, 2019

The Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee received correspondence from Dr. Iain Taylor, which the Committee forwarded to Alana Tapper for her information and response. The Committee received an overview from Peter Andrews of the Fire and Emergency response in Point Pleasant Park. The Committee also discussed their goals for the coming year.

March 7, 2019

The Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee received two pieces of correspondence, one from Gordon and Jane Brown regarding memorial benches and one from Sang-gye Buschmann regarding off-leash dogs that are not under their owner's control. The Committee received a presentation from Ossama Nasrallah regarding the proposed operation of a coffee shop and approved the following motion:

THAT having heard the presentation, the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee supports the proposal as presented, and in particular:

- 1. The Committee appreciates the environmental commitment to sustainable business models;**
- 2. The Committee appreciates the aesthetics of the structure's exterior construction; and**
- 3. The Committee appreciates the proposal's concern and awareness of seasonal issues pertaining to a proposed three-year business model.**

The Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee received a staff update on Operations from Stephen Rice. Rice also provided the Committee an update on the Point Pleasant Lodge Report and informed the Committee that a staff report on the best use for the Lodge will be prepared for Council. Rice also

updated the Committee that Council approved a staff recommendation report on enhancing the park's website for park users.

May 2, 2019

The Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee received four pieces of correspondence, one from Donna Langille regarding the donation program for park benches, one from William Breckenridge regarding the condition of Point Pleasant Park Battery, one from Tom Tulloch regarding the issue of overgrowth at the Northwest Arm Battery, one from David Gough regarding holding a Shilling Ceremony in the park. The Committee received a staff update on Operations from Stephen Rice. The Committee received a staff update on the Entombment and Protection of Military Installations and other Historic Structures from Kelly McIvor.

June 20, 2019

The Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee received correspondence from Charles Jess regarding the forestry work project. The Committee received a staff update on Operations from Stephen Rice, which included a staff memorandum. Rice also updated the Committee regarding the Forestry Work Project and how this thinning program is part of The Comprehensive Plan goal of achieving a resilient and sustainable Acadian forest. The Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee received two staff presentations, one from Carolle Koziak-Roberts on Park Fortifications Policy and one from Alex Gallagher which demonstrated the web-based Interactive Map for Point Pleasant Park. The Committee reviewed the Interactive Map, and approved the following motion:

THAT the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee recommend that Halifax and West Community Council request staff move ahead and launch the Point Pleasant Park Interactive Mapping Application to the public as has been presented the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee.

November 7, 2019

The Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee received three pieces of correspondence, one from William Breckenridge regarding the condition of the park's heritage sites, one from Andre Brussard that will be forwarded to the Park's staff for their information, one from Jack Luke regarding a wellness circuit. The Committee received a presentation from Elizabeth Murphy and Jesse MacLean, Co-Artistic Directors, Shakespeare by the Sea which included a "SBTSNext25" Initiative memorandum. The Committee received a staff update on Operations from Alana Tapper, which included a memorandum and a Service Guidelines for Parks Handout detailing winter operational standards. Tapper also updated the Committee regarding the work done by staff after Hurricane Dorian.

March 5, 2020

The Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee received correspondence from David Keefe regarding licensing agreement for Point Pleasant Park Lodge. The Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee received Halifax Regional Municipality Board and Committee Orientation from Legislative Assistant overseeing role of advisory board and committees. The Committee received a staff update on Park operations from Stephen Rice, which included a staff memorandum. The Legislative Assistant led the election of Chair and Vice Chair. The Committee elected Brian MacDonald as Chair, and Susan Summerby-Murray as Vice Chair.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

All meetings of the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee are open to the public. The Committee is comprised of eight citizen members and two municipal elected officials. Agendas are posted on the Halifax.ca website in advance of meetings and minutes are available once approved.

A copy of this report can be obtained online at halifax.ca or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 902.490.4210.

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