



**POINT PLEASANT PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
September 18, 2024**

PRESENT: Karlyn O’Hanley, Chair
Ted Doane, Vice Chair
Ryan Frizzell
Dominique Johns
Karen Zishiri

REGRETS: Councillor Waye Mason
Muyu Xia

STAFF: Adam Cornick, Superintendent Parks West
Olawumi Odeyinka-Apantaku, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m., and the Committee adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 4, 2024

MOVED by Ted Doane, seconded by Dominique Johns

THAT the minutes of July 4, 2024 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Ryan Frizzell, seconded by Dominique Johns

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – July 4, 2024

6.1 Ted Doane re: Fire Protection in the Park

The following was before the Committee:

- Handout dated April 9, 2024

Ted Doane spoke to concerns raised in the handout regarding fire protection, firefighting, and the functionality of the park's fire hydrants. Doane requested that a fire management and emergency response plan be submitted.

Adam Cornick, Superintendent Parks West suggested the Committee receive a presentation from Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency at a future meeting regarding the fire management and emergency response plan for the park, to which the Committee agreed.

7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

7.1 Correspondence

Correspondence was received and circulated for item 9.2.1.

For a detailed list of correspondence received refer to the specific agenda item.

7.2 Petitions – None

7.3 Presentation – None

8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

9. REPORTS/DISCUSSION

9.1 STAFF

9.1.1 Point Pleasant Park Operations Update

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff memorandum dated September 5, 2024

Adam Cornick, Superintendent Parks West spoke to the staff memorandum and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee regarding painting the parking lots, direction lines of the park, and the possibility of addressing tents found in the park.

9.1.2 Point Pleasant Park Advisory Community Mandate

Adam Cornick, Superintendent Parks West spoke to the Point Pleasant Park Advisory Community's mandate, which was to ensure the Municipality followed the Point Pleasant Park Comprehensive Plan which served as guidelines and recommendations for long-term planning of the Park. Cornick responded to questions of clarification from the Committee respecting the potential designated encampment site in the Park, noting that the Committee was not by-passed, as the decision to recommend potential site locations was made at the director level across several Business Units. Cornick added that the potential list of encampment locations was needed for a short-term solution to a significant problem in Halifax which would not have an impact on the long-term overview of the Park's Comprehensive Plan.

9.2 COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES

9.2.1 Karlyn O'Hanley and Ted Doane re: The City designation of Point Pleasant Park for encampment

The following was before the Committee:

- Correspondence from Karlyn O' Hanley and Ted Doane

Ted Doane spoke to the correspondence and noted that Halifax Regional Council did not consult Point Pleasant Park Advisory Committee before designating the Park for an encampment.

Adam Cornick, Superintendent Parks West reiterated the information provided under 9.1.2 on the destination of the potential encampment site in the Park.

10. ADDED ITEMS

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – November 14, 2024

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

Olawumi Odeyinka-Apantaku
Legislative Assistant