

Vancouver Field Sport Federation
Quarterly Meeting
Thursday, June 14, 2016 @ 6:30pm
Hillcrest CC, 4575 Clancy Loranger Way, 2nd Floor Room 328

Agenda

1. Call to Order & Introductions
 - a. Craig Woods – President
 - b. Rob Stewart – Secretary
 - c. Darren Peterson – Acting Manager of Recreation
 - d. Mike Knoll – Maintenance
 - e. Doug Pirozek – Vancouver Parks Board
 - f. Jennifer Trach – Vancouver Parks Board
2. Review of Minutes from April 7, 2016
 - Floyed – Motion to accept, Anne – Second, Carried.
3. Maintenance & Projects
 - a. Current maintenance activity
 - i. Nanaimo Park – Would like the infield closed earlier this year due to public use to allow maintenance. This would involve closing a public park, Nanaimo would move to road diamond for Fall Ball to allow closure.
 - ii. Trafalgar Cricket Wicket – hole in the area that needs fixing
 - iii. Point Grey – delayed due to change in infield type
 - iv. Hamber – field has been stripped and work has started
 - b. Dedicated Sports Field Team
 - i. Top Dressing and punching
 - ii. Fertilizing sand based at once, new type of fertilizer
 - iii. Dry spell created dry fields, had to turn on irrigation early.
 - iv. Rain has helped the fields.
 - v. Working on doing a second sweep of the ball diamonds (not big maintenance but weeks in infield)
 - c. Chafer damage to Bobolink & Musqueam starting to look good, would not like to open field early if possible.
 - d. Would rather not close fields down if they dry out.
 - i. Was asked if infields could be watered if dusty, be wary of water restrictions.
 - e. Strathcona – sprinklers running until 9am right up until games starting which has wet fields. Will look into changing cycle to have diamonds run first.
 - f. Jericho East & Slocan Centre – holes filled with sand. Games are unplayable. Slocan has issue with unpermitted play.
 - i. It takes over a year to get a field redone from start to finish but
 - g. McSpadden is a Grade B field. Terrible condition. Tough growing season and this spring was hard on the fields (too wet).
 - h. Closures

Bobolink – chafer	indefinite
Musqueam – chafer	indefinite
Riverfront – possible daycare site – project is a go	
Empire South parking – construction	mid-May to late June
<i>See page 2 for closures due to major events</i>	
 - i. Projects

Hastings Little League field	In Progress	ETA 2016
Hastings Community field house	In Progress	

Hamber & Point Grey re-surfacing – Point Grey is October completion
Started stripping this week, all is weather dependent

	In Progress	June-Aug 2016
Memorial South field house	In Progress	ETA March 2016
Hamber/Oak Meadows field house	In Progress	ETA 2016
Van Tech washrooms – should be done soon	In Progress	ETA 2016
Hillcrest Challenger baseball – should be done soon	In Progress	ETA 2016
Columbia field house	Delayed Configuration and \$	TBD

j. Others not covered above

Hillcrest drainage

Andy Livingstone drainage

4. Old business

a. Signage at fields – Peter Delaney.

- i. Thoughts of bringing in a website where groups can post their information. Anne to review document to be brought to next meeting.
- ii. Possibility of permitting signage through activenet. Approved signs would have stamps; unstamped signs would be removed.

b. Track & Field facility – site investigation – Darren

- i. Delayed until Fall when they have time (busy with master plan). Reset back to where we were. 0

c. Andy Livingstone concerns – garbage, change-rooms, field conflicts – VFC/VAFC. There was a community user group meeting tonight for Andy Livingstone.

d. Kitsilano High School Turf Project – VSB/VUFC. Parks Board met with school board; preliminary. School Board would need to arrange permits and install lighting. VPB asked about feasibility with return on investment. Electrical is roughed in but VPB not planning on installing the lights themselves.

- i. Difference between this project and Van Tech/Point Grey/Hamber is that the VPB built the field so they managed the project.
- ii. VPB has no project manager to determine if location would be worth it to install lighted field at this location. VPB has some many capital projects that are funded that are behind schedule to take on this project at this time.

e. Area Plan for False Creek Flats (Trillium & Strathcona) – Darcy and Anne

- i. South Route Planned. East of field would have the arterial route.
- ii. One route went through Strathcona Oval which was a no go
- iii. One route went through Produce Row which is not ideal based on Vancouver business.

5. New business

a. Cricket nets at Memorial Park – damaged, how to replace?

- i. One groups was vandalized last year and the group that uses them can't afford to replace them.
- ii. Cricket practice cage has been fenced off and closed for a year
- iii. BCMCL built cricket cage, agreement was that the group that built it needs to be maintained by the group. Parks board fenced off cage due to safety concerns. Conversation was made the decommission the cage.
- iv. BCMCL changed mind and could have it recommissioned for 8K.
- v. Deadline will be set on whether it will be recommissioned or decommissioned.
- vi. Question on whether there could be a joint plan to fix up the building. A proposal could be put forward but it will need to determined who will take responsibility for its maintenance.
- vii. Track & Field came forward that track & field and BCMCL could partner on a runway with long jump at one end and cricket at the other end.
- viii. A formal proposal needs to come forward from BCMCL

b. Northeast False Creek Park Design Advisory Group – Anne and Floyd

- i. Chance for field sport users to join group. Haven't heard back.

c. Advisory Committee on Park Use by People and Dogs – Tate White

- i. Group meets tomorrow. If people can't make the first meeting then users can join after the fact.

- d. St. Paul's hospital near Trillium – Open Houses for preliminary design concepts
 - i. 9:30am–12:30pm Sat June 18 at Creekside CC
 - ii. 4:00-7:00pm Wed June 22 at Thornton Park (tents near farmer's market)
- 6. Committees
 - a. Planning: Anne (chair), Graeme, Geoff, Floyd, Wendy, Mary, Rob, Darcy
 - b. AT Site: to be formed – waiting on assignment of VPB planner
 - i. Marpole/Oakridge Community Centre was approved. Current location status quo.
 - c. Field House User
 - i. Announcement should be forthcoming on who the fieldhouses will be allocated to. One final interview process tomorrow night. Jury selection of final decisions should be coming soon.
- 7. Reminders
 - AT fields
 - Please do not enter an AT field until your permitted time.
 - “Bumping” groups forward in time is not permitted and can result in the loss of booking.
 - Please use Boot Brushes before entering an AT site.
 - Spring / Summer Renewals due Jan 2 - Feb 2.
 - Fall / Winter Renewals are due between July 2 - August 2.
 - Payment, insurance, and NPO number before permit is issued. Do not play without a permit.
 - \$25.00 Admin fee and 10 business days to process refunds on paid permits.
 - Sanitation and Park Rangers are reached by calling 311.
 - Field Booking Office at Hillcrest: 4575 Clancy Loranger Way, Vancouver, BC, V5Y 2M4
- 8. Adjournment

Major Events

American Masters Games Aug 26-Sep 4 8:00am-6:00pm

Facilities Affected:

Empire, Trillium, Hamber, Point Grey, Memorial South, Jericho W
 Trafalgar SE, Connaught NW, SW, NE, SC
 Kitsilano Basketball Courts N & S
 Ceperley Tennis Courts
 Spanish Banks East

Hastings LL Nationals Aug 1-14 8:00am-8:00pm

Facilities Affected:

Hastings SE, SW
 Falaise NE, S
 Sunrise SE