

Vancouver Field Sport Federation - Quarterly Meeting

Wednesday September 27, 2017 @ 6:30pm
Hillcrest CC, 4575 Clancy Loranger Way
Room #328

Agenda

1. Call to Order & Introductions
 - a. Jennifer Trach – Coordinator, Outdoor Sports Facilities
 - b. Susie Hutchison – Manager, Recreation Services
 - c. Erin Embley – Planner
 - d. Dean McIntosh – Maintenance
 - e. Casey Crawford – Park Board Commissioner
2. No minutes to review from July 11, 2017.
3. Presentation
 - a. Vancouver Sport Hosting – Michelle Collins
 - She was unable to attend.
4. Maintenance & Projects
 - a. Current maintenance activity
 - Applied nematodes on irrigated fields to deal with chafer beetle
 - Hamber water cannons: repairs in progress.
 - Water not working at Nanaimo park.
 - b. Closures

Killarney Oval	Now open
Jericho E	Open Oct 11
Slocan C	Open Oct 2
Slocan SW	Closed until April 2018
 - c. Active Projects

Hamber/Oak Meadows field house	Delayed again – ETA now Dec
Columbia field house	Not started (design and \$ TBD)
Track & Field Facility	Consultant to be hired this fall: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- consultation in spring, plan by summer
Hillcrest drainage	Complete – drainage much better.
Hillcrest SE field leveling	Look into grade change due to Challenger
Andy Livingstone drainage	New investigation in progress
Field House Activations	Next set need capital money for upgrades.
 - d. Consultations

Area Plan for False Creek Flats (Trillium & Strathcona) – Darcy	
• Planning by City has paused. No other updates.	
NE False Creek Park Design Advisory Group (Andy Livingstone) – Floyd/Anne	
• Some pressure from neighbourhood groups to remove one field. Important for field users to let City know that two fields at that site are very important.	
5. Old business
 - a. Signage at fields – Draft Proposed Policy – Peter Delaney
 - No updates
6. New business
 - a. VanPlay – Update from Park Board – Susie
 - Phase 1 complete (Discovery). VPB compiling feedback.
 - Phase 2 this fall (Direction – vision for future).
 - Phase 3 in Spring
7. Committees
 - a. Long-term Planning: Anne (chair), Graeme, Geoff, Floyd, Wendy, Mary, Rob, Darcy
 - o Data Collection Project
 - o Capital Plan submissions – *see end of this doc*
 - b. Next AT Field: Anne (chair), Jasmine, Darren S, Gord, Wendy, James, Thomas
 - o Generate recommendations for VPB for site(s) and surface of next field.
 - o Current shortlist includes: Beaconsfield Park, Churchill Secondary, Clinton Park
 - Discussion involved concerns about balance between East and West, lack of site in SE corner of city, that Clinton is grade A grass. General support that Churchill was best option.

- c. Grass Upgrades: Craig (chair), Mary, Geoff, Darcy
 - o Generate recommendations for VPB for major upgrades to one or more fields.
 - o Current shortlist include: Montgomery Park, Slocan Park
 - Slocan: Fix major issues to support year-round play. Mainly soccer and ultimate.
 - Montgomery: Add 4th diamond, 2nd irrigated soccer field, re-level surface.

8. Reminders

- AT fields
 - o Do not enter field until your permitted time
 - o “Bumping” groups forward in time is not permitted and can result in the loss of booking.
- Spring/Summer renewals due Jan 2 - Feb 2, and Fall/Winter 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.

9. Adjournment

Capital Planning

The City of Vancouver allocates funds for large capital projects on a 4-year basis (e.g. new fields, major upgrades, new buildings, etc). The next Capital Plan will be 2019-2023.

The Vancouver Field Sports Federation has a long history of supporting the planning process by compiling submissions for capital projects and working as a federation to identify the highest priority items for the VPB. Our work is vital in the process and helps to guide decision making in a way that benefits sports field users.

If your organization has any requests for capital projects, we encourage you to participate in this process. PLEASE NOTE: Many organizations may have holdover projects from previous submissions. Please update these and re-submit for incorporation in the current process.

The timeline for submissions to the VFSF Capital Planning Committee is as follows:

2017

September 1 – first call

October 15 – second call

November – summary of submissions received to date

December 1 – deadline for submissions

2018

January – special meeting of VFSF delegates to discuss and vote on final recommendations

February – presentation to VPB staff

Two documents are available on our website: vfsf.weebly.com

- Capital Submission Form – key information needed for a proposal
- Guiding Principles for decisions as agreed by the VFSF in 2013.

If you have any questions please contact Anne Thompson (vp1@vfsf.ca) Projects of any size are welcome (although note that minor maintenance is not covered by capital funds). Please also consider working together within your sport with other community sports groups to identify the key facilities that need renovation, rebuild or a new facility. Many thanks for your participation in this important process,