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CITY OF MERRITT RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

January 9, 2025 6:00 pm COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL 2185 Voght Street Merritt, B.C

PRESENT: Ms. A. Douthwright, Chair

Mayor M. Goetz Mrs. B. Porada Ms. L. DeWinter

Mr. J. Halvorson (6:15 pm)

STAFF: Ms. L. Brick, Director of Corporate Services (attending

virtually)

Mr. D. Zakall, Director of Community Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm.

1.1 Land Acknowledgement

We would like to begin this meeting by acknowledging that we are gathered on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territories of the Nlaka'pamux and Syilx people.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Recreation Advisory Committee Minutes - November 7, 2024

THAT the Minutes of the Recreation Advisory Committee held on November 7, 2024 be adopted.

Moved, Seconded, CARRIED Absent for Vote: J. Halverson

3. **GENERAL MATTERS - Delegations and Recognitions**

Nil

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nil

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Otter Swim Club Rate Request

Mr. J. Halverson arrived at this point in the proceedings. (6:15 pm)

The Committee discussed the request from the Otter's Swim Club suggesting that the grant in aid be rescinded and Council consider in kind assistance through use of the pool for the annual swim meet.

THAT the Committee recommends to Council:

THAT the use of the Nicola Valley Aquatic Centre pool be in kind for the annual swim meet (on a non-statutory holiday weekend) and the Otter's Swim Club be offered a rental rate for swim lanes at \$13.50 per hour in 2025.

Moved, Seconded, CARRIED

6. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for April 3, 2025.

7. TERMINATION OF MEETING

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:48 pm.

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