

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PORT COQUITLAM
PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday September 4th, 1985, at 4:15 p.m.

In attendance were Alderman George Laking, Alderman Michael Wright and Alderman Mike Farnworth (Item No. 1 only).

Also in attendance was K. Janna Taylor, Parks & Recreation Director and guest, Mike McKone, Metro Motors.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the minutes of the meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee held on ~~Tuesday~~, August ~~20th~~, 1985, be taken as read and adopted. *Wednesday 28th*

Item No. 1 Metro Motors

Mike McKone from Metro Motors made a presentation to the Parks & Recreation Committee in regard to the trees on Lougheed Highway. He indicated that the present median with the trees do prohibit much trade from coming to his car franchise. He feels that Metro Motors is not geographically as well suited as Coquitlam Chrysler is for marketing and that the trees further hinder his marketing ability. They have initiated various kinds of marketing techniques, such as balloons to draw clients to the car lot. He indicated that showmanship is their way of advertising; and that this could not be done adequately with the trees on the median for those persons travelling east on the highway. Secondly, he indicated that they had applied for another kind of franchise and that they had been turned down because of poor visibility. The Committee asked him whether the fact that they did not get the other franchise was due to the trees; he indicated that he could not say for sure that it was. The Committee thanked him for attending the Committee meeting and indicated that a recommendation of some kind would be going to Council on September 16th, 1985, and if he wanted to appear as a delegation, he should contact the City Clerk.

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The Committee discussed various options such as cutting down the trees, possibly selling the trees to a nursery, leaving the trees up, etc. Further costing will be looked at in regard to removal and cutting down of the trees. The Highways Department will require an official request to remove the trees but there normally is not a problem with such a request.

Recommendation:

- a) That the trees be removed.
- b) That we sell the trees to a nursery if at all possible.

CARRIED

Item No. 2 May Day

Helen Fitch has indicated that she would be interested in the position of the 1986 May Day Coordinator. However, she indicated that this would be the last year that she would do it as she feels it is extremely important to bring in new blood. Helen requested that her contract be the same as last year, \$8,500. She would start her work in November, 1985.

Recommendation:

- a) That Helen Fitch be hired as the 1986 May Day Coordinator.
- b) That the contract for Helen Fitch be \$8,500.

CARRIED

Item No. 3 P.C.A.A.A.

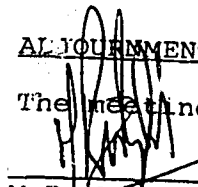
George Laking attended the P.C.A.A.A. Meeting and indicated that things were going well.


Item No. 4 Wilson Centre

Alderman Wright requested that program figures be provided for the Wilson Centre at the next Committee meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.


M.R. Wright, Chairman.


K. Janna Taylor, Secretary.

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