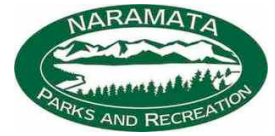




Minutes

Naramata Parks & Recreation Commission

Meeting of July 27, 2026, 6:30 p.m.



Naramata Fire Hall, 1095 Lower Debeck Rd,
Naramata, BC V0H 1N1

Present: Adrienne Fedrigo, Director, Electoral Area "E"

Members: Jim Pearmain (Chair), Dirk Groenewold, Kaolin Mallette, Vince Boutilier, Eileen Meehan

Absent: Kim Hoath, Nicole Ensing

Staff: Matt Weller (RDOS, Sustainability Manager) left meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Guests: None

Recording Secretary: Heather Lemieux (Recording Secretary), via transcription

Delegates: John Curry (Director, Naramata Heritage Museum Society) left meeting at 6:51 p.m., Sandy Wilson (Member, Naramata Heritage Museum Society) left meeting at 6:51 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Quorum present.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

RECOMMENDATION

It was Moved and Seconded THAT the Agenda for the Naramata Parks and Recreation Meeting of April 27, 2026 be adopted as presented and all presentations and reports be received as presented.

CARRIED

2. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

It was Moved and Seconded THAT the Minutes for Naramata Parks and Recreation Commission of January 26, 2026 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3. CORRESPONDENCE / DELEGATIONS

3.1 Naramata Heritage Museum Society — J. Curry (Director, Naramata Heritage Museum Society) presented.

On July 27, 2026 the Naramata Heritage Museum Society (NHMS) approved a resolution for the proposed cenotaph at Wharf Park, which included THAT:

- i. The Naramata Cenotaph was installed in 1948 and represents a significant local heritage site.
- ii. The original cenotaph was established at its present location with deliberate historical purpose and intention.
- iii. It is the belief of the NHMS THAT;
 - The proposal to construct a new cenotaph at Wharf Park was developed without adequate community consultation; and THAT
 - The descendants and families of the servicemen commemorated on the current monument were not notified or consulted regarding the proposed project.

The NHMS requests comprehensive community and family consultations before any further actions or steps are taken toward new cenotaph at Wharf Park.

Discussed concerns with the project, consultation activities to date, factors in the planning process, and the possibility of removing the willow tree as opposed to the existing cenotaph.

4. RDOS STAFF REPORTS — M. Weller (RDOS, Sustainability Manager)

4.1 Naramata Cenotaph — Update — See attached, *Project Feasibility Study Cenotaph Bollards and Chain.pdf*.

RECOMMENDATION

It was Moved and Seconded THAT the Naramata Cenotaph relocation and replacement project be put on hold, pending a briefing meeting with the Naramata Heritage Museum Society.

CARRIED

ACTION — K. Hoath and M. Weller (RDOS, Sustainability Manager) to meet with the Naramata Heritage Museum Society - along with Gerald Anderson (Naramata Remembrance Day Committee).

4.2 2027 Capital Project Feasibilities — M. Weller (RDOS, Sustainability Manager) distributed and presented the following project feasibilities:

- i. **Wharf Park - Wharf Structural Review** — Recommendation to conduct a five (5) year structural inspection and piling assessment.
- ii. **Wharf Park - Wharf Access Path Replacement** — Recommendation to replace the gravel walkway to increase accessibility.
- iii. **Wharf Park Dog Park Fencing** — Reviewed recommendations including options for temporary fencing.
- iv. **Manitou Park Accessible Playground** — Recommendation to conduct an accessibility assessment of Manitou Park, Naramata Centre, and possibly Creek Park.

Discussed Wharf Park budget and project planning.

— See attached:

PFS - Wharf Park - Wharf Access Path Replacement.pdf

PFS - Wharf Park - Wharf Structural Review.pdf

Project Feasibility - Wharf Park Dog Park Fencing.pdf

Project Feasibility Study - Manitou Park Accessible Playground.pdf

5. RDOS DIRECTOR REPORT — A. Fedrigo, Director, Electoral Area “E”

- 5.1 Spirit Park** — A chain link fence has been installed around the playground at the park.
- 5.2 Canada Day** — An event was successfully held at Spirit Park. Reported on a challenge with the timing of the automatic locks on the washrooms.
- 5.3 KVR Signs** — Signs are being removed without authorization along the trail. RDOS staff has been continuously reinstalling them.
- 5.4 Adra Tunnel** — Washrooms, picnic tables, and seating areas have been added near both tunnel entrances.
- 5.5 KVR** — Discussed jurisdiction of the KVR. The RDOS holds a Licence of Occupation with the Province on the trail.

The Ministry of Environment and Parks, BC Parks and Recreation Sites and Trails BC, closed the second track of the KVR due to a bridge wash-out and culvert work.

The provincial government is currently conducting a ‘Look West: B.C.’s Outdoor Recreation Strategy’ — which is a coordinated provincial plan designed to strengthen the outdoor recreation system, drive rural economic growth, and improve public access to nature.

ACTION — J. Pearmain (Chair) to email A. Fedrigo, Director, Electoral Area “E” information on and past RDOS staff communication in regards to the KVR closures.

ACTION — A. Fedrigo, Director, Electoral Area “E” to communicate with RDOS staff regarding the KVR closures after receiving more information from J. Pearmain (Chair).

6. COMMISSION MEMBER REPORTS

None

7. BUSINESS ARISING

7.1 Juniper, Arawana, & KVR Access — J. Shuttleworth (RDOS, Parks & Facilities Manager) is looking into the access paths connecting the Juniper Drive cul-de-sac to the KVR, KVR staging ground, Arawana Road, and the Arawana Forest Service Road.

The access paths are not the jurisdiction of the RDOS.

RDOS staff is looking into moving the boulders to increase accessibility and adding more signage.

7.2 Emergency Planning — There is a muster station sign at the library, but it is unclear if it is for the entire community or not.

ACTION — A. Fedrigo, Director, Electoral Area “E” to email the RDOS Protective Services department to inquire about where the community’s muster station is located.

8. ADJOURNMENT

8.1 RECOMMENDATION

It was Moved and Seconded THAT the meeting of the Naramata Parks and Recreation Commission be adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING:

Monday, October 26, 2026 @ 6:30 p.m. — Naramata Fire Hall

Attachments:

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NPR To Do List-3rd qtr-2026.pdf

2026 Commission Timeline.pdf

Project Request Form - (Insert Proj. Title).doc

Chair, Jim Pearmain, Naramata Parks and Recreation Commission – Electoral Area “E”



Recording Secretary, Heather Lemieux