

Minutes



Okanagan Falls Parks & Recreation Commission



Meeting of June 25, 2026, 6:30 p.m.

Okanagan Falls Recreation Centre,

Multipurpose Room,

1141 Cedar Street, Okanagan Falls, BC

Present: M. Taylor (RDOS, Director, Electoral Area "D")

Members: Bob Daly (Chair), Allison Symons (Vice Chair), Judy Garner, Barbara Shanks, Kelvin Hall, Rick Wilson

Absent: Laura Adamson, Kris Lee, Mark Beaulieu

Recording Secretary: Heather Lemieux (Recording Secretary)

Staff: None

Guests: None

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 the Okanagan Falls Parks & Recreation Commission Agenda of June 25, 2026 be adopted and all presentations and reports be received as presented.

CARRIED

2. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES — May 28, 2026

RECOMMENDATION

It was Moved and Seconded THAT the Minutes for the Okanagan Falls Parks & Recreation Commission meeting of May 28, 2026 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. CORRESPONDENCE / DELEGATIONS

None

4. RDOS STAFF REPORTS — Absent

4.1 RDOS Updates — B. Daly (Chair) reported on upcoming Canada Day activities.

5. COMMISSION MEMBER REPORTS

5.1 Friends of Okanagan Falls Parks – B. Daly (Chair) reported on the completion of the following projects:

- i. Cleaning and painting the bandshell, wall, and staining the stage;
- ii. Clearing overgrowth at Centennial Park; and
- iii. Bench maintenance at Lions Park.

Discussed project organization, upcoming tasks and projects, and maintenance recommendations.

5.2 Okanagan Falls Connects — B. Daly (Chair) announced that a gathering and community group celebration will be held on Sunday, September 13, 2026 at Kenyon Park. The Okanagan Falls Elementary School has also been booked as a backup venue.

6. RDOS DIRECTOR’S REPORT — M. Taylor (RDOS, Director, Electoral Area “D”)

6.1 Incorporation — A brief update was provided on the status of the community’s incorporation process.

7. BUSINESS ARISING

7.1 Off-leash Dog Park Proposal – Update — M. Taylor (RDOS, Director, Electoral Area “D”) reported on feedback received from Naramata’s Off-leash dog park trial.

ACTION — B. Daly (Chair) to follow up with RDOS Staff regarding the off-leash trial and Agriculture Land Commission (ALC) parameters.

7.2 Beach Volleyball Proposal – Update — Discussed proposal preparation support and community involvement. More information will be requested from delegation on the proposal.

7.3 Capital Recommendations — B. Daly (Chair) presented the following summary of recommendation updates:

- i. **Drainage Ditch** — Low priority. Moved to 2027-2028 for municipal consideration.
- ii. **Beach Pathway Light** — Delete.
- iii. **Picnic Shelter** — High priority, 2027, subject to permits and keep saving for the project.
- v. **Swimming Accessibility** — Continue gathering information to support shovel-readiness. Revise description from grant to funding dependent.
- vi. **Kenyon & Lion Park Irrigation Replacements** — High priority for 2026.
- vii. **Keogan Park Walking Loop** — High priority for 2027-2028. Moved up from 2029.
- viii. **Spray Park Reserve Allocation** — High priority.
- ix. **Lions Park** — High priority.
- x. **Keogan Park Baseball Diamond** — On hold.
- xi. **Willow Street Property Proposal** — On hold.

Discussed timing and the importance of completing and correctly prioritizing as many high priority projects prior to incorporation.

7.4 Letter to Premiere – Update — No response.

7.5 Parks Re-classification — Update — Discussed parks, surveys, and municipal boundaries.

7.6 Barbecue Pits — A request was received inquiring about adding a few fire pit rings on park beaches.

Discussed concerns and considerations.

ACTION — B. Daly (Chair) to discuss Barbecue pits with the Okanagan Falls Fire Chief.

7.7 Memorial Benches — Questioned the placement of a memorial bench of different design than the other nineteen (19) in Kenyon and Christie Parks. No action.

8. ADJOURNMENT

RECOMMENDATION

It was Moved and Seconded THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING – July 23, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. — Okanagan Falls Recreation Centre, Multipurpose Room

UPCOMING — Okanagan Falls Connects Event — Sunday, September 13, 2026

Attachments:

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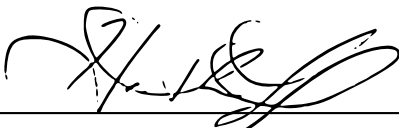
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Bob Daly (Chair), Okanagan Falls Parks & Recreation Commission – Electoral Area “D”



Heather Lemieux, Recording Secretary