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RURAL RECREATION COMMISSION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

CRD Member-at-large: North Cariboo Recreation and Parks Commission

The CRD member-at-large has resigned from the NCRPC. The NCRPC is comprised of: 2 CRD Directors, 2 City of Quesnel councillors, 1 School District Trustee, 1 CRD member-at-large, 1 City of Quesnel member-at-large.

Opening for CRD member-at-large on the NCRPC. To have a CRD resident involved with Rural Recreation (e.g. a member of the Parkland Bouchie Lake or Barlow Creek Recreation Commission and /or Alex Fraser Park) would have great value.

The purpose of the Commission is to provide governance to the NCRP function (Est. Bylaw 3900, 2004) concerning delivery of Services and operations of the Facilities and to provide recommendations to the Board with respect to the annual financial plan and fees and charges related to the Function.

A copy of the Bylaw can be reviewed at

<https://quesnel.civicweb.net/Documents/DocumentList.aspx?ID=37414>

RECREATION PASSES = reduced rent for residents / user groups with a pass

Recommendation from North Cariboo Recreation & Parks Commission / NCRPC to North Cariboo Joint Planning Committee / NCJPC that a two tiered rent schedule be implemented for all facilities receiving taxation funding through the NCRP / North Cariboo Recreation & Parks service. This will include private rentals and facility rental by user groups.

Currently, the only facilities that have fully developed two tiered rental system for user groups is the Twin Arenas and Quesnel & District Arts and Recreation Centre. If a user group (e.g. minor hockey, lacrosse, skating, etc.) wish to rent the rinks for the reduced rate available to recreation pass holder, all members of the user group must provide their pass numbers to the staff at Twin Arenas.

Facilities within the NCRP service are subsidized by taxation. By implementing a two tiered rent for rentals (private and user groups), the contribution of taxpayers and non-taxpayers will be more equitable. Currently, a recreation passes are available at no charge to all residents who reside with the NCRP. For non-residents, pass can be purchased through Quesnel Leisure Services (Quesnel & District Arts & Recreation Centre) for \$77.00 / individual and \$128 / family. Information on the passes is available online at

<http://www.quesnel.ca/DocumentBank/recguide/Guide%20documents/kidsport.pdf> The NCRPC is

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recommending a single pass be phased in (for singles and families) over 3 years so by January 1, 2016, a recreation pass are available for **\$215.00**. This higher fee better represents what the average taxpayer contributes to NCRP. Copies of all the NCRP Minutes are available on the City of Quesnel website – Joint Planning Committee agendas

<https://quesnel.civicweb.net/Documents/DocumentList.aspx?ld=33774>

NOTE: Any recommendations approved by NCJPC have to be ratified by the Cariboo Regional District BOD. It is likely that these changes regarding rent structure be incorporated in to the Recreation Commissions bylaws.

RURAL FACILITY TOUR – NCRP COMMISSION (June 25th)

The NCRPC will be touring the following facilities / sites with the City of Quesnel / Leisure Services staff on June 25th. Tour includes Pioneer Park (on Dragon Lake), Alex Fraser Park, and Claymine Trails.