

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NIAGARA PARKS  
COMMISSION, SCHOOL OF HORTICULTURE, NIAGARA FALLS,  
ONTARIO – FRIDAY DECEMBER 15, 2017 AT 10:00 A.M.**

**58. MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chair Janice Thomson, Vice Chair Joan Andrew, Commissioner Ian Nielsen-Jones, Commissioner Jim Diodati, Commissioner Pat Darte, Commissioner Wayne Redekop, Commissioner Eldon Bennett, Commissioner Vince Kerrio.

Regrets: Commissioner Lois Giles, Commissioner James Detenbeck and Commissioner Kerry Pond.

Ms. Thomson was in the Chair and Mr. Reegan McCullough acted as Secretary to the meeting. The following staff members were present to report and answer questions on the agenda items: D. Adames, M. Neubauer, S. Barnhart, M. Gruosso, M. McMullen, N. Devos.

**59. CHAIR THOMSON'S  
OPENING REMARKS**

There were no members of the public in attendance. Chair Thomson recognized staff for their strong contribution to the success of Niagara Parks.

Chair Thomson advised that over the past few weeks she has delivered presentations to the councils of the Town of Fort Erie, the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake, and the City of Niagara Falls on the new Strategic Plan, the results of the Niagara Parks' economic impact analysis, the new Brand and highlights of 2017.

**60. DECLARATIONS OF  
INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interests.

**61. APPROVAL OF  
AGENDA**

*The agenda was presented for approval.*

*Moved by: Commissioner Kerrio*

*Seconded by: Commissioner Nielsen-Jones*

*That the agenda be approved as presented.*

*Carried.*

**62. MINUTES OF  
OCTOBER 20, 2017**

*The minutes were presented for approval.*

*Moved by: Vice Chair Andrew*

*Seconded by: Commissioner Darte*

*That the minutes of October 20, 2017 be approved as presented.*

*Carried.*

**63. PRESENTATIONS RE:  
NPC RECENT  
INITIATIVES**

Mr. Adames presented on Niagara Parks' recent initiatives and highlights.

**64. BUSINESS  
HIGHLIGHTS**

Mr. McCullough highlighted points from the pre-circulated report. Mr. Adames will look into how the retail team promotes the Vendor Open House forums which NPC holds four time per year as the report indicated that only eight vendors attended in November.

- 65. SUMMARY OF DECISIONS** Chair Thomson asked if there were any questions regarding the pre-circulated Summary of Decisions report. There were no questions.
- 66. SUMMARY OF PRESENTATIONS TO MUNICIPAL MEETINGS** Chair Thomson provided highlights of the pre-circulated report.
- 67. OTHER BUSINESS** There was no other business.
- 68. DATE OF NEXT MEETING** The next meeting will be held Friday February 23, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at Legends on the Niagara.
- 69. RESOLUTION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION** *Moved by: Commissioner Darte*  
*Seconded by: Commissioner Diodati*  
*That the meeting move to closed session at 10:43 a.m.*  
*Carried.*

Submitted by Recording Secretary, Darla Jones