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MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	72
COUNCIL MEETING	1980 11 24

RE: RESERVE FUNDS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF BARNET MARINE PARK

Following is a report from the Parks and Recreation Administrator regarding the above subject.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendations as contained in the report from the Parks and Recreation Administrator be adopted.

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1980 November 20

TO : MUNICIPAL MANAGER
 FROM: PARKS AND RECREATION ADMINISTRATOR
 RE : RESERVE FUNDS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF BARNET MARINE PARK

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council authorize the expenditure of \$216,400 from the reserve account for capital improvements to Barnet Marine Park as outlined in this report.
2. THAT Council authorize the preparation of the necessary by-law for the approval of the Inspector of Municipalities.

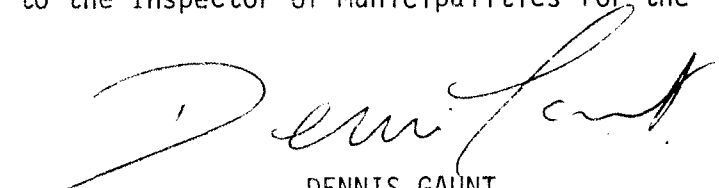
SUMMARY

An amount of \$216,400 is presently held in a reserve account and the Parks and Recreation Commission wishes to have the money released to spend it on further development work in Barnet Marine Park.

REPORT

The Parks and Recreation Commission, at its meeting of 1980 November 19, received the attached report outlining a program of work which could be funded by the reserve funds in Barnet Marine Park Account.

The Commission approved the proposed work and wishes to request Council to release the money by applying to the Inspector of Municipalities for the necessary permission.


 DENNIS GAUNT
 ADMINISTRATOR

cc: Municipal Treasurer

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT the Parks and Recreation Commission approve the expenditure of \$216,400.00 from the reserve account for capital improvements to Barnet Marine Park as itemized in this report.
2. THAT the Commission so recommend to Council.
3. THAT the Commission recommend that Council authorize the preparation of the necessary by-law for the approval of the Inspector of Municipalities.

REPORT

At its meeting of 1980 September 17, the Commission received an information item on various Corporation funds being held for Parks and Recreation purposes. A portion of that report, dealing with Barnet Marine Park, read as follows:

"Barnet Marine Park

In 1974 the Corporation expropriated the Kapoor property for Barnet Park and purchased an adjoining parcel owned by the Texaco Company. As there were insufficient funds available for the purpose from the Parks Referendum 1971 referred to above for these acquisitions, Council, with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, pursuant to Section 569 of the Municipal Act, passed Loan Authorization By-Law No. 6512 on 1974 June 25 to permit the borrowing of \$2,287,500 for this project. A statement of revenues and expenditures shows:

Contribution from 1971 Parks Referendum	\$2,000,000
Proceeds from the \$2,120,000 in bonds issued pursuant to By-Law No. 6512	2,121,677
Provincial greenbelt grant	620,000
Interest accumulation to 1979 December 31	165,399
Contribution from general revenue	29,817
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	\$4,936,893
Cost of land purchased	4,729,490
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	\$ 216,403

These transactions took several years to complete. As a consequence, most of the surplus came about because of interest earnings. This surplus may be spent for the development of the park upon passage by a majority vote of Council of a by-law pursuant to Section 359 of the Municipal Act, approved by the Inspector of Municipalities."

The 1981 Provisional Budget does not include any funds for use at Barnet Marine Park. Since there are still some major improvements required, staff recommends that the reserve funds detailed above be used for the continuation of development at Barnet Marine Park.

The work programme proposed by staff is as follows:

A. ROADWORK

1. Widen the access road into the park to 20' and change the radius of the curve at the tracks (as per C.P. Rail crossing agreement requirements) including diverting a segment of the creek. \$ 27,000.

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A. ROADWORK - continued

- 2. Improve the ditch on the south side of the entrance road including new culverts and an additional access road into the existing parking lot \$ 3,000.

B. PARKING LOTS

- 1. Pave existing parking lot, re-grade and landscape perimeter banks, provide catch basins and connections for drainage. \$74,000.
- 2. Construct new upper gravel parking lot on the west side of the entrance road. 71,000.

C. PICNIC AREAS

- 1. Selectively clear, grub, re-grade and seed some additional small picnic areas \$ 9,500.
- 2. Instal 12 additional permanent picnic tables in the vicinity of the concession building and some additional barbeque stands and fire rings in picnic areas 4,500.

D. OVERPASS DESIGN FEES

Provide funds to engineering consultant to prepare final construction drawings and specifications for the pedestrian overpass structure into the core area \$ 7,700.

\$196,700.

10% Contingency 19,700.

TOTAL \$216,400.

Staff is seeking approval of the development programme at this time in order to get an early start and complete as much work as possible prior to the beginning of the high use summer season.

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