## Lions Bay Beach Park Advisory Committee (LBBPAC)



This committee was formed in order to develop ideas for the revitalization of the Lions Bay Beach Park (LBBP). The members serve on an advisory group which will assist Municipal staff with public engagement and ideas for developing the park for the future. The LBBPAC Terms of Reference can be viewed <a href="here">here</a>.

The recent Lions Bay Beach Park Survey results can be viewed <u>here</u>. Top takeaways from the 128 survey responses included:

- the top 3 uses of the Lions Bay Beach Park were beach related: swimming, playing on the sand and suntanning.
- the top 3 events attended were the Canada Day celebration, the Firefighters Day event and the
  Halloween Fireworks; discussion ensued on whether the park can be configured to better
  accommodated these events eg: larger, more useful gazebo structure, location for such a
  structure, etc.- members agreed that a new gazebo structure should be installed at the lower
  portion of the park as opposed to the upper portion of park; other ideas were also discussed such
  as including a basketball/multi-use court at the south end of the flat upper grassy area.
- in response to the question re. what changes are needed, most replied that items listed were "Just Right", other than requests for more benches and picnic tables, more toilets and change room facilities.
- in response to the question re. capital investments, the following was noted:
  - people were generally not in favour of terracing, but the committee noted that some terracing may be required, especially if a gazebo is to be built in the lower portion of the park;
  - o outdoor, cold, freshwater showers was the top request;
  - replacement of plumbing fixtures was heavily favoured;
  - responses and committee feedback indicated the toddler and youth play areas needed to be kept separate, but could be relocated if kayak racks are moved to the Marina side of the park

     this would be logical as it's closer to the beach and kids could be better observed by parents, etc.;
  - responses favoured a new kayak rack and the committee agreed it should be on the Marina side of the park – staff looking into designs and costs;
  - o stone steps were noted to be in need of repair/replacement;
  - o responses favoured replacing the Lori Beck gazebo and providing a new gazebo or pavilion/shelter the committee agreed with this and consensus was that it would make sense to have it within the lower portion of the park (discussion and tentative agreement to move Lori Beck plaque to new structure).
  - o additional ideas discussed included basketball/multi-use court up top, concrete ping pong tables and shuffleboards, etc.