

AREA D PARKS COMMISSION
Minutes of September 15, 2014
Cowichan Estuary Nature Centre

Call to order: 6:42 pm

Present: Roger Southern, Cheryl Delbridge, Director Lori Iannidinnardo, Kerrrie Talbot, Dave Nisbet, Steve Garnett, Brian Farquhar CVRD Parks & Trails Manager

Regrets: Bruce Clarke

Approval of Agenda: **Moved and Carried**

Approval of previous minutes: **Moved and Carried**

Reports:

Wilmot trail costs update: Hedge at Vee Rd. – Trim branches to centre of trunks, gravel on trail surface, possible cost share with MoT. Total approximate cost \$4000.

Coverdale Watson: Brian Farquhar presented the Draft Concept plan by Community working group and CVRD staff.

Motion: To endorse Coverdale Watson Draft Concept plan from Community working group with revised priorities from CVRD staff.

Moved and Carried

Summer Playground Programs: Very successful throughout South End areas. Recommend program continue with budget increase of \$200 for 2015.

Motion: Support Parks Summer Playground Program with budget increase to \$8700. in 2015.

Moved and Carried

Hof Trail: Concerns about tree cutting on Parks property and branches /debris left becoming fire hazard.

Action: CVRD staff to follow up re: debris / branches left apparently by homeowner on Hof Trail

Pritchard Rd. to Wessex Ravine: Site visit with Cannery developer to be organized at a future date to discuss trail location.

Botwood Lane lots: Dialogue with Cowichan Bay Fisherman's Association and First Nations expected to take place after fishing season is over re: use & development of lots.

Budget 2015: Brian presented Area D Community Parks draft budget for 2015

Motion: To accept Area D Community Parks draft budget with minor revision to Summer Playground Program.

Moved and Carried

Cowichan Estuary Restoration and Conservation Association: presented draft concept plan for dike trail with 8 stations/platforms/ benches & interpretive signage.

Meeting adjourned: 8:35 pm Next meeting: October 20/14 6:30pm @ CENC