

Area D Parks Commission General Meeting Minutes
Bench School
June 21, 2010

Meeting called to order: 18:13

Present: Steve Garnett, Kerrie Talbot, Val Townsend, Bruce Clarke, Lori Iannidinardo

Absent: Megan Stone

Minutes from last meeting (May 17, 2010)

Moved and approved.

Welcome to Bruce Clarke, our new member.

Report on Recent Events

-Damage to Wilmot Rd. trail due to accessing of private property across ditch and trail. Nino Morano (bylaw officer) was contacted (Kerrie via Ryan Dias) and we await a response. Lori will contact Ross Deveaux.

- Cowichan Bay Boat Festival. No Fast and Furious Boat building. Not as busy as usual but more really good chowder to sample. Pub won. Not many boats attended. This festival is put on by the Wooden Boat Society.

Upcoming events

Duncan Summer Festival, mid July.

Ongoing Business

1. Maple Grove – A person wants a circle trail developed that allows one to walk down through camp ground to the dike and then back through the adjacent field. This would involve entering Nature's Trust area and nesting area.
2. Danica Rice – sent an email re horse riding trails along Telegraph and Fisher Rds. Grant available but must be applied for by end of June. Notice is too short and we need more information; we are interested in learning what would be considered
3. Tanya's response from May meeting on file. No bench inventory on file a CVRD. The two families that wanted Memorial benches have paid their \$500.
4. Coverdale Watson survey discussion: Added two items, Steve will add and email to Kerrie.

5. Summer Parks Program: Budget gone from \$2500 to \$3950 – need an update.

Other Business

Mill Bay Church and Historical gravesite: Minutes on file. A suggestion made that they contact McDonald & Lawrence in Cobble Hill who specialize in repairing old structures.

Director's update

Wilmot/ Cowichan Bay Rd corner- Waiting for a draft drawing from Dan Brown

Lambourne Estate pond. Developer putting original water tower on a concrete pad. Polo field picture circulated. Talk of calling the pond Polo Pond.

Shell property and adjacent lots. Discussion as to whether we should be trying to obtain these parcels. "Yes" seemed to be the general answer. This could also provide a trail link from Fenwick to downtown Cowichan Bay. Could also provide decent access for buses, something which is now lacking: This would also allow greater numbers of people in the bay without a lot more individual cars.

Next Meeting on July 19, 2010 6pm @ ?

Meeting adjourned at 19:30