

Minutes of the CVRD Electoral Area E Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting held at 7:00 p.m. April 29th, 2014 at the Glenora Hall.

Present: Frank McCorkell, Chair Ron Smith, Secretary, Paul Slade, Mike Lees, Loren Duncan, Director, Irene Evans, Roland Brown, Howard Hyde, and Larry Whetstone

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes: The minutes of the March 3, 2014 were presented and accepted by the Commission

Business Arising: There was none

New Business:

1. Potential rezoning application—4505 Cowichan Lake Road

Director Loren Duncan provided the Commission insight on the background of the proposal of both rezoning and the transfer of land to the Area E Parks for the connectivity of the areas north-south Greenways and trail system. Also they reviewed the memorandum provided by Tanya Soroka, Parks & Trails Planner regarding the merits of the proposal.

There was a general discussion by the commission members and everyone agreed that the property should conform to present and historical usage by way of a rezoning application.

Moved: Paul Slade

Seconded: Roland Brown

That the Parks Commission endorses the proposal for rezoning of the subject property and would accept the dedication of the plus 5 hectare amenity of land for park purposes as offered by the applicant.

CARRIED

At this point the meeting moved into closed session. (separately attached)

2. New Access to the west of the Glenora Trails Head Park

It is requested that arrangements be made by the Parks Department for the Area E Parks Commission to meet with Andy MacDonald of B.C. Parks to discuss an alternate road access or bypass, to access the west end to the Glenora Trails Head Park to alleviate problems with access to the western portion of the park as soon as possible.

3. Crosswalk and Speeding Signs

a) Lake Cowichan Road—Sahtlam. The Commission would request the Parks Department request that the Ministry of Transportation and Highways **immediately** put in a crosswalk and slow speeding zone signs in the area of the Sahtlam Fire Hall and Currie Park along Lake Cowichan Road since because of the popularity of the park area, residents are parking on both sides of the road to access the new park, and further,

b) There is also a need for 40 km speed signs in both directions along Vaux Road to the end of pavement on Robertson Road at the gun club in Glenora.

4. It was with great pleasure to be informed that a member of our Commission, Mr. Roland Brown, was the recipient of the BC Parks' Volunteer Legacy Award for 2013 by Environment Minister Mary Polak. Attached is the letter from the Minister to Mr. Brown.

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Next Meeting: The meeting will be called by the chair.

Adjournment: 9:15 pm



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Roland Brown
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Dear Mr. Brown:

BC Parks has always benefitted from the involvement of volunteers to build the ongoing legacy of our parks and protected areas system, one of the largest in North America.

It is with great pleasure I am writing to inform you that you have been selected to receive BC Parks' Volunteer Legacy Award for 2013. The incredible amount of time and energy you have invested in Cowichan Valley parks over the past 25 years shows your remarkable, lifelong commitment to BC Parks. From Bright Angel Park development to the Cowichan Valley Footpath, your countless contributions are greatly appreciated.

Mr. Don Closson, BC Parks Area Supervisor, nominated you and will be in touch regarding an award presentation.

Thank you for your incredible legacy to our province's parks and protected area system.

Sincerely,

Mary Polak
Minister