

MINUTES OF ELECTORAL AREA “G” (SALTAIR/GULF ISLANDS)
PARKS COMMISSION MEETING

DATE: March 5th, 2012

TIME: 7:04 PM

MINUTES of the electoral Area “G” Parks Commission regular meeting held on the above noted date and time at the CVRD Building, 10705 Chemainus Rd., Saltair, BC.

PRESENT:

Chairperson: Harry Brunt

Secretary: Jackie Rieck

Members: Kelly Schellenberg, Hans Nelles, Christine Nelles, Dave Key, and Tim Godau

ABSENT:

Members: Glen Hammond

Director: Mel Dorey

ALSO PRESENT:

Special guest: Ryan Dias (CVRD)

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes of Area “G” Parks Commission Meeting of February 6th, 2012 be accepted.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve agenda as submitted.

MOTION CARRIED

STANDING REPORTS:

CVRD UPDATE:

Harry welcomed special guest; Ryan Dias.

Ryan reviewed "CVRD Memorandum" dated March 1st, 2012 from Tanya Soroka, Parks and Trails Planner, regarding; "Update on the Hillside Road Beach Access Agreement with Coastal Missions". At this point, the Society will not be entering into a lease agreement with the CVRD, however, they are willing to discuss an option of the Parks Commission coordinating a volunteer work party to upgrade stairs and trail, and help raise donations of gravel and materials. The benefit to the community is that the general public would be able to continue to use the trail and Coastal Missions would retain full jurisdiction over the area in the long term, understanding that this is separate from the CVRD and will not be a CVRD project, but a community endeavor for the public use of a private trail. Members agreed to further discuss this option at next meeting.

Ryan presented three previously discussed, Capitol Works Projects for 2012 and a potential 4th project for Area "G" Parks:

- (1) Centennial Park - removal of the Practice Tennis area asphalt with grass planted as a replacement. Allocated budget: \$15,000
- (2) Centennial Park - Landscape and beautification improvements to the Mountain View Dr entrance of Park. Allocated budget: \$20,000
- (3) Centennial Park – Fitness trail improvements. Allocated budget: \$10,000

- (4) Stocking Creek Park – trail upgrades. Trails require assessment by Trail Tech – Dan Brown (CVRD). Dan will assess and plan a walk-thru with Commission members and after consultations, provide members with a 2 to 5 year master plan contingent on budget funding. Allocated budget: \$20,317

MOTION to proceed with 2012 Capitol Works Projects as listed below:

Centennial Park:

- **remove Practice Tennis court asphalt and replace with grass and provide an additional park amenity to be determined at a future date. Budget: \$15,000**
- **Mountain View Dr. landscape and beautification. Budget: \$20,000**
- **Fitness trail improvements Budget: \$10,000**

Stocking Creek Park:

- **Trail improvements. Budget: \$20,317**

MOTION CARRIED ---- One member opposed

Ryan informed us that the requested Rip Rap for the Bezan and Boulder Point beach accesses will not be fulfilled.. The maintenance required to contain the erosion of the sea bank is not in the CVRD jurisdiction.

Kelly Schellenberg requested a 24 X 36 Electoral Area G Communities Map for Parks Commission meeting room. Ryan will send to Jackie Rieck (secretary).

Ryan recommended that a good project for the “ Student Program”, was to begin an initial “brush out” of “the Parkinson” trail. The first order of business is to have the large maple tree which is in the middle of the trail head be removed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Mel Dorey absent. No report.

CENTENNIAL PARK:

All debris from West corner of park has been removed. Fitness tires are scheduled to be taken away March 6th, 2012.

PRINCESS DIANA PARK:

An inspection of hazardous trees along trails is required. CVRD to follow up.

Large stones have surfaced through different sections of the trail causing a potential tripping hazard. Tim Godau has volunteered to remove stones.

STOCKING CREEK PARK:

Culvert clean out has been completed.

Park Boundary sign, fence chain and gate have been vandalized. Ryan will order repairs.

Gravel ramp to Stocking Creek bridge requires some additional gravel to reduce and level out slope to bridge entrance. Grade is quite steep.

BEACH ACCESSES:

See CVRD UPDATE regarding Bezan and Boulder Point. Installation of Rip Rap has been canceled.

Bezan Access requires a repair to bottom most concrete stair railing post, as it has sustained damage from high tide log.

BALL REPORT:

CVRD will drag net ball diamonds.
Metal Ashtray receptacles have been installed to outside of dugouts.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Dave Key reports Easter Event Committee is ready and prepared for Easter Egg Hunt scheduled on April 8th at Centennial Park.

LADYSMITH PARKS AND REC:

No report.

NEXT MEETING:

Next Parks meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 2nd, 2012, 7:00 pm at the CVRD Building, 10705 Chemainus Rd.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 pm.