

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

DATE: September 13th, 2010

TIME: 7:00 PM

MINUTES of the Electoral Area G Parks Commission regular meeting held on the above noted date and time at the Water Board Building, Saltair, BC. Meeting called to order by Chair at 7:04 pm.

PRESENT:

Chairperson: Harry Brunt

Secretary: Jackie Rieck

Members: Tim Godau, Paul Bottomley, Norm Flinton,

ABSENT:

Members: Dave Key, Glen Hammond, and Kelly Schellenberg

ALSO PRESENT:

Director: Mel Dorey

Guest: Ryan Dias (CVRD)

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

It was Moved and Seconded that the minutes of the Area G Parks Commission Meeting of September 12, 2010 be accepted.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as submitted.

MOTION CARRIED

STANDING REPORTS:

CVRD UPDATE:

Special guest Ryan Dias (CVRD) presented the “Electoral Area “G” 2011 Community Parks Budget Planning Draft”. A handout spreadsheet of the Budget Plan was reviewed and discussed.

Long term potential ideas for future projects in Saltair included: a community hall, additional tree planting in Centennial Park and possible paving of the gravel path leading from the north entrance parking lot of Centennial Park to the Picnic Shelter and public washrooms.

CENTENNIAL PARK:

Ryan Dias reported the cost of the Centennial Park – north entrance beautification project would amount to approximately \$10,000 to \$12,000 dollars. This would include the clean up of the tree beds and possible replacement of diseased trees located near the picnic shelter.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to proceed with the beautification project of the north entrance of Centennial Park.

MOTION CARRIED

STOCKING CREEK PARK:

Plans were discussed to provide a wood hand-railed safety fence along the cliff edge of the East Side of Stocking Creek falls. The construction of a staircase down to the falls on the West Side bank of the creek will require further evaluation by a CVRD engineer. Ryan is to arrange a visit to the site with interested Commission members.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to approve construction of a wood hand-railed fence along the cliff edge of the East Side of Stocking Creek Falls.

MOTION CARRIED

CLOSED SESSION:

Discussed land acquisitions

PRINCESS DIANA PARK:

It was noted that the East Entrance to Princess Diana Park was too narrow for maintenance vehicle access. To provide easier access, the culvert area would need lengthening.

A suggestion was also made to add a garbage bin near the East Entrance area. Paul Bottomley volunteered to provide and place garbage can in an appropriate location.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to proceed with the lengthening of the culvert area at the East Entrance of Princess Diana Park.

MOTION CARRIED

BEACH ACCESS:

The bottom flight of stairs at the Cliffcoe Beach Access now have the required hand rail. CVRD maintenance crew applied a protective stain on all beach access wooden railings.

LADYSMITH PARKS & REC:

No news from Ladysmith Parks

BASEBALL:

It was noted that the baseball player's conduct had a marked improvement over last season. Concession stand still requires cleaning and cigarette butts are also an issue. Harry to follow-up.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Saltair's 100th year Celebration was an enormous success!

SPECIAL EVENTS:

The Annual Halloween Party is planned for October 31st in Centennial Park. Dave Key will be handling the fireworks display. It was suggested to raise the firework's budget to \$2,000.00.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to increase the firework's budget to \$2,000.00

MOTION CARRIED

OTHER:

- a). Ball hockey teams need to be spoken to regarding their behaviour ie: alcohol consumption, cigarette butts, foul language and garbage issues. It was suggested they be required to pay a damage deposit or a user fee to use the hockey court. Harry to follow up.
- b). “Map of Saltair” draft was reviewed and will be passed on the “Saltair Ratepayer's” for further detailed amendments. Costs are projected to be approximately \$600.00 to \$800.00

NEXT MEETING:

Next meeting scheduled for Monday, October 4th 7:00 pm at the CVRD Water Board building.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.