

**MINUTES OF ELECTORAL AREA G (Saltair/Gulf Islands)  
PARKS COMMISSION MEETING**

DATE: October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009

TIME: 7:00 pm

**MINUTES** of the Electoral Area G Parks Commission held on the above noted date and time at the Water Board Building, Saltair, BC. Called to order by chair at 7:05 pm.

**PRESENT:**

Chairperson: Harry Brunt

Secretary: Jackie Rieck

Members: Norm Flinton, Tim Godau, Kelly Schellenberg, Paul Bottomley

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Director: Mel Dorey

Guests: Diana MacTavish (Saltair Rate Payer's Association) and Ryan Dias (CVRD)

**ABSENT:**

Dave Key and Glen Hammond

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

A representative of the Saltair Rate-Payer's Association—Diana MacTavish, requested possible funding from the Parks Commission to replace the “Map of the Saltair ” which is currently mounted on the front exterior of “Byron's Store. Their plan is to design a new professional, detailed and weather proof - Community Saltair Map. Diana will get back to the Commission with exact costs. The Rate-Payer's were also considering developing a “Brochure of Saltair” which would list: Parks, Trails, Washroom facilities, Beach Accesses and Local Home-Based Businesses. This brochure would be designed to encourage citizens of Saltair to shop locally. Ultimately, the Rate-Payer's would pick-up initial start up costs and for the second phase, local businesses would purchase advertising space to fund the Brochure. For further information or to add a local business contact Diana MacTavish at [dianamac@shaw.ca](mailto:dianamac@shaw.ca) or 250-245-3502

## **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:**

It was Moved and Seconded that the minutes of the Area G Parks Commission meeting of October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009 be accepted.

## **MOTION CARRIED**

## **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

### **1. Budget Report:**

Ryan Dias(CVRD) presented the “Electoral Area G 2010 Community Park Budget Planning Draft”. A handout of the spreadsheet Budget Plan was explained and then discussed. Tim Godau noticed a numerical discrepancy regarding the “4% increase in the charge of doing business” which calculated instead to a “27%” increase?? Ryan to re-check figures and get back with corrections.

### **MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded that it be recommended to transfer \$30,006 of the \$45,006 from the Operating Reserve Fund (Surplus) to “Parkland Acquisitions” and then transfer the remaining \$15,000 to the “Rainy Day Reserve Fund”.

## **MOTION CARRIED**

Ryan advised the Committee to seriously consider and choose our “TOP 3 PROJECTS FOR 2010”. Several potential projects mentioned were: 1. Construction of a set of stairs down the west-side slope of Stocking Creek which would provide a safer access to the creekside. 2. Fence the cliff of the Stocking Creek waterfall viewing area. 3. Land acquisitions for connecting trails and parks.

### **2. Playground Update:**

Ryan announced that our playground has been ordered. Installation is scheduled for November 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. CVRD to perform site preparation and provide two carpenters. 20 volunteers would also be required. Harry Brunt to contact the owner of Mount Brenton School for temporary storage of pea gravel.

### **3. Doggie Bag Dispensers**

Cost of each dispenser: \$40.00.

#### **MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded that it be recommended to purchase 4 Doggie Bag Dispensers. One to be installed at the north parking lot and the second at the south parking lot of Centennial Park, third dispenser at the entrance to Princess Diana Park and the fourth to be installed at the entrance of Stocking Creek Park.

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

### **4. Park Benches for Stocking Creek Park**

Mel Dorey brought to our attention a Canadian Company based in Langley that manufactures park benches from recycled plastics and aluminum. The benches are fire resistant and prices start from \$375.00 and run up to \$1200.00. He will pass on information to Kelly Schellenberg for the purchase of two benches.

### **5. Recreation Fund**

Recreation fund budget: \$3000 for Easter and Halloween Events, Summer Day Program wages \$9000.00. Awaiting report of Summer Camp Program.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

It was Moved and Seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 9:30 pm.

#### **NEXT MEETING:**

Monday, November 2nd, 2009, Water Board Building 7:00pm

