

**Meeting Minutes**  
**South Commission Parks Commission**  
**Oct. 5, 2009**  
**Cobblecinno's Cafe, Cobble Hill**

**Members Present:**

Ian Sparshu, Chair – Cobble Hill

Brian Farquhar – CVRD Parks

Gerry Giles – Area Director - Cobble Hill

Lori Iannidinardo – Area Director – Cowichan Bay

Ken Cossey – Area Director – Shawnigan Lake

Margaret Symon, Secretary – B

Dave Gall – A

June Laraman – A

Lynn Wilson – C

Kerrie Talbot – D

Val Townsend – D

Meeting opened 1900H

Minutes of May 18, 09 meeting reviewed.

**1. Review of Boat Launch Survey**

- Discussion of issues: limited parking, signage, estuary sensitivity, need for more kayaking access

- Brian Farquhar noted the significant investment at the boat launch

MOTION: (Dave Gal / Lynn Wilson):

→ The South Cowichan Parks Commission requests CVRD Parks Dept. staff provide an update cost summary re: Cowichan Bay Boat Launch for the next commission meeting

MOTION CARRIED

--<\$10,000 from CVRD (due to large input of volunteer/donated labour/materials)

**2. Review of Historic Cemetery Survey**

- Discussion about existing usage vs potential usage; repair requirements.
  - Gerry Giles noted a community obligation to restore the facility to the proper level
  - good turnout at 1<sup>st</sup> Open House, May 2009
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Open House: Sat. Jan. 23, 2010 1100H to 1300H

(Suggestion for open house: presentation by Tom Patterson)

MOTION: (Ian Sparshu, Gerry Giles):

→ CVRD Parks Dept. should proceed with strong focus to develop viable plans for the Mill Bay Church/Cemetery.

MOTION CARRIED

**3. Dog Park**

- General discussion on existing usage and requested upgrades (i.e., small dog area, assistance-parking, restroom building)
  - Brian Farquhar: review long-term plan in order to determine best use of funds

#### 4. Cenotaph

- South Cowichan community pleased with upgrades to Cenotaph – the cenotaph is important to the entire S. Cowichan area

MOTION: (Margaret Symon / Ken Cossey):

→ The South Cowichan Parks Commission assume operational costs (from Cobble Hill Parks and Rec. Commission) of the Cobble Hill Cenotaph, contingent to costs.

MOTION CARRIED

#### 5. Budget

- Brian Farquhar provided summary of 2010 S. Cowichan Parks Community Park Budget:
  - Commission endorsed focusing funding on Mill Bay Historic Church/Cemetery

MOTION: (Kerrie Talbot, Gerry Giles):

→ Budget as presented be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

#### Other Items:

- Funding/maintenance at Bright Angel Park a function of 5 EA's (A,B,C,D,E)
- Valleyview Rest-stop area needs clean-up

Meeting adjourned 2115H

#### **Next meeting:**

- 2 Nov. 2009 7 pm Cobblecinno's