

# Galiano Island Parks and Recreation Commission

November 3, 2011

Galiano Island Trust/CRD Office (23 Madrona)

## MINUTES

**Present:** Betty Kennedy (Chair), Cheryl Bastedo, Don McKinnon (Treasurer), Allan Doty, Mario Szijarto, Dave Howe (CRD), Jennifer Margison (Recording Secretary) and 1 member of the public.

**Regrets:** Jerry Azevedo, Barry Lovell, Rose Marie Umana

### 1. Call to Order

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The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:32 am.

### 2. Approval of Agenda

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**Betty moved and Allan seconded that the agenda be approved.  
CARRIED.**

### 3. Approval of Minutes of October 6th Meeting

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**Mario moved and Allan seconded that the minutes of the October 6th meeting be approved.  
CARRIED.**

### 4. Delegations

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Surveyor.

#### **Sturdies Bay Trail - Surveyor's Report (moved forward on the agenda)**

The surveyor provided an interim progress report. The fieldwork and title searching has been completed and all owners are identified. In the report to be submitted prior to the December GIPRC meeting, recommended solutions to property encroachment by the trail will be included on a lot-by-lot basis i.e. moving the trail or negotiating right-of-ways or easements. Each owner will need to be contacted.

### 5. Correspondence

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None.

### 6. Primary Business

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#### **6.1 Appointment of Commissioners**

This discussion will be held in-camera at the conclusion of the meeting.

#### **6.2 Shore Access and trail priority list**

Three accesses were visited recently:

1. Mary Ann Road #14 - beautiful view over Active Pass; noted that it is a wildflower area so will revisit in March/April. Don noted that this access was visited a few years ago but wasn't sure of the time of year. No safe water access. Sensitivity required to environmental and neighbour issues.

2. Harper Road #60 - short access but steps needed here.
3. Linklater Road #61 - tiny bay with sandy pocket beach; requires trail leveling and clean-up; walk-in access only although road allowance would allow for some parking. The survey quotes are: #14 - \$850, #60 and #61 \$650 each.

**Cheryl moved and Don seconded that the commission proceed with surveys on #14, 60 and 61.  
CARRIED.**

Further to this motion, it was decided to proceed to proceed with the survey on #14 in the current budget year and #60 and #61 in the 2012 budget year.

Serenity Lane #26 is another access identified for development. It is difficult to determine where the public access is as it appears to be private land. Decided to defer this until later in the new year following a site visit.

The Sturdies Bay trail will be the main trail priority for 2011/2012.

### **6.3 Map – posting for visitors**

Allan emailed the Chamber who will discuss the map posting with the Chamber board.

### **6.4 Brochure re-print**

Revisions are needed. Add Oceanview at Montague Harbour, Salamanca and Zelter. Look at reducing the width of the brochure to a standard brochure size. Include the community parks with the exception of Gossip Island. Betty and Mario will do the updating.

### **6.5 Xmas Social**

The Xmas potluck lunch at Betty's will follow the December 1 meeting. Partners are invited. Cheryl will organize the potluck contributions.

## **7. Reports**

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### **7.1 Chair's Report**

Betty thanked the commission for the work on the Commonality Meeting. She has had favorable comments, especially about the speaker.

### **7.2 CRD Director's Report**

No report.

### **7.3 Treasurer's Report**

#### **7.3.1 Status of Accounts**

As of October 31:

Imprest account: \$374 balance

Parks Improvement account: \$30369.00 \$3441.00 balance

Maintenance account: \$7210 spent; \$0 balance

Recreation account: \$23,100.00 spent; \$0 balance

Skate Park: \$434.10 balance

Zelter Capital Budget Allowance: \$6000.00

Salamanca Capital Budget Allowance: \$4500; \$2174.99 spent; \$2326.00 balance

### 7.3.3 Report on Payment of Invoices

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| Galiano Conservancy Assn | Bus use donation          | 150.00 |
| H Cruickshank            | Secretarial services      | 210.00 |
| Jennifer Margison        | Secretarial services      | 540.00 |
| Peter Rabitich           | Skate Park maintenance    | 200.00 |
| Gina Wilson              | Morning Beach maintenance | 200.00 |

**Allan moved and Cheryl seconded that the Treasurer's Report be approved.  
CARRIED.**

### 7.4 CRD Parks Report

None.

### 7.5 Shore Access Report

#### 7.5.1 Zelter #65

Underway.

#### 7.5.2 Zilwood #31 (Retreat Cove)

Nothing new to report.

#### 7.5.3 Salamanca #59

The trail has been completed, with the parking lot yet to do. Agreed that this is an ideal spot for a bench. Mario will follow-up on this.

#### 7.5.4 Valerie's Place #45 – warning sign and railing

Don walked the trail and did not feel the trail was unsafe or that a railing is required here. Mario, Don and Allan will look again at the trail.

#### 7.5.5 Zuker – railing and steps

After investigation, it was decided no action is needed here.

#### 7.5.6 Other Shore Access Issues

Zenner will be put back on the list of possible accesses for consideration but no action will be taken for the moment as it needs to be determined whether creek crossings are now possible under the revised OCP.

### 7.6 Trails Report

#### 7.6.1 Sturdies Bay Trail – survey

Discussed earlier in the meeting.

#### 7.6.2 Other Trail Issues

None.

### 7.7 Parks Report

#### 7.7.1 Return to Crown Strip

Don has written to FrontCounterBC. Discussion of the posting of Ministry of Forests' nesting tree signs for the eagle tree on one of the waterfront properties. Jennifer will put up the signs with shore access #69 on the signs.

#### 7.7.2 Sticks Park - signage, creek crossing

Stone across the creek and signage still need to be installed.

#### 7.7.3 Other Parks issues

None

## **7.8 Recreation Report**

None.

## **7.9 Volunteers Report**

Allan will organize a broom and daphne clear at Matthews, near the farm on December 8 at 10 am.

## **8. Projects**

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### **8.1 Rockfish Conservation Areas – DFO signage**

Nothing new to report.

## **9. Other Business**

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### **9.1 Un-addressed Thoughts and Concerns (and any input from members of the public)**

A member of the public noted that the access at Linklater would take pressure off Twiss and suggested it would be possible to use the standard road allowance for parking. It was noted that MoT said it should be a walk-in shore access only.

A member of the public also noted that affordable housing may be going near Paige Drive. Suggested that the Commission could consider steps from the main road at Murcheson Cove #66 shore access as pedestrians using the Sturdies Bay Trail could access this.

### **9.2 Motion to go in-camera**

**Moved by Allan and seconded by Cheryl that the Commission meet in-camera to consider applications for Commissioners' positions.**

**CARRIED.**

## **10. Date for Next Meeting**

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December 1, 2011

## **11. Adjournment**

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The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

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**Betty Kennedy, Chair**  
**Galiano Parks and Recreation Commission**