

Galiano Island Parks and Recreation Commission

February 2, 2012, 8:30 am
Galiano Island Trust/CRD Office (23 Madrona)

MINUTES

Present: Betty Kennedy(chair), Don McKinnon(treasurer), Ed Andrusiak, Cheryl Bastedo, Allan Doty, Jeff Patterson, Mario Szijarto, Mike Hoebel, Ken Hancock (CRD), Heather Cruickshank(recording secretary) and a member of the public.

1. Call to Order

The chair called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Allan moved and Mike seconded that the agenda be approved. Carried.

3. Approval of Minutes of January 5 Meeting

Jeff moved and Don seconded that the minutes of January 5th meeting be approved. Carried.

4. Delegations

None.

5. Correspondence

Betty read the funding report that was received from The Galiano Club.

6. Primary Business

6.1 Master Plan Updated

After a review of the existing GIPRC Master Plan by Jeff , a discussion was initiated regarding clarification of certain items and possible changes in wording. It's usefulness as a working plan and how it should be used in conjunction with other agencies and requests for funding was also discussed.

6.2 Commonality Meeting

The next commonality meeting will be held on Pender Island on April 12th. Don will contact Reg Kirkum regarding transportation to and from the meeting and to find out how many passangers he can take. All commissoners are planning on attending.

6.3 Brochure Re-print

Mario brought a draft copy of the brochure re-print for review by commissioners. Mike pointed out that we should use the universal symbol for Washroom facilities instead of WC as not all visitors may recognize this symbol. Mario will take care of some minor changes that were discussed.

6.4 Map Posting

Allan has had a response from The Chamber of Commerce regarding the use of space on their building to post the GIPRC map of beach accesses. They would like to see the map prior to posting and have also suggested GIPRC building a board adjacent to their building. It was agreed that we should be looking at alternative sites. Betty will contact Jane Wolverton to see if South Hall is a possibility.

7. Reports

7.1 Chair's Report

None.

7.2 CRD Director's Report

None.

7.3 Treasurer's Report

7.3.1 Status of Accounts

As of January 31st, 2012:

Imprest account: \$7 balance

Parks improvement account: \$3391 spent; \$30,757 balance

Maintenance account: \$670 spent; \$6612 balance

Recreation account: \$0 spent; \$23,331 balance

Skate Park: \$434.10 Balance

Zelter Capital Budget Allowance: \$2233 spent; \$3767 balance

Salamanca Capital Budget Allowance: \$4591 spent; -\$91 balance

7.3.2 Invoices to be Approved

None.

7.3.3 Report on Payment of Invoices

Michelle Fox	Extra trail work	Jan 10/12	\$670.00
Jennifer Margison	Secretarial services	Jan 15/12	\$220.00
Don McKinnon	Postage and printer Supplies 2011	Jan15/12	\$366.92

**Jeff motioned to approve the treasurers report and Mario seconded.
Carried.**

7.4 CRD Parks Report

Nothing to report

7.5 Shore Access Report

7.5.1 Zelter #65

Signage to be placed.

7.5.2 Zilwood #31 (Retreat Cove)

Two surveys have been done and twice pins have been removed. MOT to be informed of problem. Encroaching tree is a problem for parking and may need to be removed. Commissioners to visit site before next meeting.

7.5.3 Salamanca #58

Awaiting signage.

7.5.4 Valerie's Place #48 – warning sign

Signage is up. New commissioners to visit site before next meeting.

7.5.5 Mary Ann Road #14

Don read letter from adjacent property owners stating their concerns about the sensitivity of the areas flora and fauna. It was agreed that this beach access be put on hold at present time.

7.5.6 Harper #60

Ed to write letters to surrounding property owners. Letters to include CRD brochure "Sharing the Shoreline".

7.5.7 Linklater #61

Ed to write letters to surrounding property owners. Letters to include CRD brochure "Sharing the Shoreline".

7.5.8 Other Shore Access Issues

None.

7.6 Trails Report

7.6.1 Sturdies Bay Trail

After studying the surveyors report Mike has determined that the areas where the trail encroaches on private and public property could be moved relatively easily in all but 2 cases. Obtaining tenure for these and some of the others may be a solution. Other options should be considered such as handing over the trail to The Trail Society. Mike will study the report over the next month and form and chair a committee to determine the issues surrounding encroachment, liability, maintenance etc. and their possible solutions. Allan has volunteered to be on the committee.

7.6.2 Bell Trail – Lot 66

It was determined that we need to look into who's responsible for the bridge safety and maintenance on this trail. Signage is still needed at trail head identifying the GIPRC portion of the trail. Trail maintenance needs to be organized.

7.6.3 Other Trail Issues

Discussion centered around what the GIPRC's ambitions are for other trails. Betty proposed that the commissioners decide on how many more beach accesses are needed and what trails GIPRC should look at developing. It was noted that our Trail Master Plan would be an asset in this regard. It was also suggested that The OCP's "Trails Network Plan" be incorporated into the GIPRC website.

7.7 Parks Report

7.7.1 Return to Crown Strip

Nothing new to report

7.7.2 Sticks Park - signage, creek crossing

More work is needed on the creek crossing. Signage can be installed after this has been completed.

7.7.3 Other Parks issues

7.8 Recreation Report

None.

7.9 Volunteers Report

None.

8. Projects

8.1 Rockfish Conservation Areas – DFO signage

Nothing new to report.

9. Other Business

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

None.

10. Date for Next Meeting

March 1, 2012

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.