

Galiano Island Parks and Recreation Commission

May 2, 2014 at 8:30 am
Galiano Island Trust/CRD Office (23 Madrona)

Present: Betty Kennedy (Chair), Ed Andrusiak, Allan Doty, Dora FitzGerald, Gloria Schmidt, Mario Szijarto, Jennifer Margison (Recording Secretary)

Regrets: Mike Hoebel, Dave Howe (CRD Director)

1. Call to Order

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

2. Approval of Agenda

Agenda amended to add: 6.4 Bylaw, 6.5 Next Shore Access Priorities and an In Camera session to approve minutes of a previous In Camera meeting to discuss a land issue

Ed moved and Gloria seconded that the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Don moved and Allan seconded that the minutes from the previous meeting be approved.

CARRIED

4. Delegations

None.

5. Correspondence

None.

6. Primary Business

6.1 Master Plan

Betty will follow-up with Jeff and Mike.

6.2 Brochure

Brochure has been printed (5000) and will be distributed in various locations on the island. Jennifer will look into getting 2 brochure racks for the north end hall (Gloria will contact Chuck Garland for permission) and will stock the Heritage Forest kiosk.

6.3 Commonality Meeting

This will be held May 22 at Poet's Cove on Pender Island. Departure will be 7:30 am from Sturdies Bay. Please confirm with Betty if you will be attending. Return will be on the afternoon ferry.

6.4 Bylaw and CRD Senior Managers' Town Hall Meeting

Mike circulated copies of Bylaw 3486, the Bylaw for the Continuation of a Joint Community Parks and Recreation Commission for Galiano Island, adopted November 14, 2007. He encouraged Commissioners to attend the Town Hall meeting with Senior Managers from the CRD, May 9, 9-11am at the South Hall.

6.5 Next Shore Access Priorities

Rene Zich presented his recommendations for future shore access development:

#7 at the Sturdies Bay ferry – handy for ferry passengers

#12 on Active Pass - parking would be an issue here. Mainly benefit neighbours and walkers.

#16 Georgeson Bay Road - parking is problematic here

#24 Montague, where the ferry used to be

#22 - end of Southwind - quite steep and would require stairs, has lots of parking

#26 - Serenity Lane - beach in low tide

#64 Murchenson Cove near golf course - creek crossing required, beautiful forest

#66 - Murcheson Cove - only road parking, small beach, could walk to Cayzer Rd.

#28 - end of Alder Road, very steep

Rene provided a written report on his recommended shore accesses for future development.

Betty moved and Ed seconded that an estimate for work on Shore Access #7 be obtained from a contractor.

CARRIED

7. Reports

7.1 Chair's Report

None.

7.2 CRD Director's Report

No report.

7.3 Treasurer's Report

7.3.1 Status of Accounts

As of March 31, 2014.

Parks Improvement \$22186 spent; \$13034 balance

Parks Maintenance \$3134 spent; \$4366 balance

Meeting Expenses \$825 spent; \$1785 balance

Recreation Funding \$0 spent; \$24910 balance

Imprest \$230 balance

7.3.2 Invoices to be Approved

Don moved and Ed seconded a payment of \$1383.20 to ARC for printing of 5000 brochures.

CARRIED

7.3.3 Report on Payment of Invoices

Hector Jones Brown	Trail work SB trail	850.50
Rene Zich	Harper Road stone steps	6615.00
Galiano Trading	Redimix etc. for Harper steps	669.87
Peter Rabatich	March skate park	100.00
Gina Wilson	March toilet maintenance	200.00
Hector Jones Brown	SB trail maintenance	488.25
Do Mo Communications	Brochure revisions	131.25
Jennifer Margison	Secretarial services Nov 13 – Apr 14	824.92
ARC Printing	Printing 5000 shore access brochures	1383.20

Apple Pie The Magazine	Ad for grant applications	54.72
Mike Hoebel	Postage for brochure mailout	135.83
Gina Wilson	April toilet maintenance	400.00
Peter Rabatich	April skate park maintenance	500.00
Mario Szijarto	Fax paper	12.23

7.3.4 Projected Future Expenditures

Harper Road	6000.00
Linklater parking	2000.00
Total:	8000.00

**Don moved and Ed seconded approval of the Treasurer's Report.
CARRIED**

7.4 CRD Parks Report

No report.

7.5 Shore Access Report

7.5.1 Mary Ann Road #14

The bench will be installed shortly. There was a volunteer work party of Commissioners and supporters to remove invasive plants from a good portion of this shore access.

7.5.2 Harper Road #60

Discussion of whether or not to spend additional funds for parking and handrails at this access. Will leave this until later in the summer to see what parking is like when it dries and to see if any comments are received. Betty asked Commissioners to look at the access. Tabled to next meeting.

7.5.3 Wesley #9

Tabled to next meeting.

7.5.4 DL79

This was toured by several commissioners. Little work needs to be done for the beach access and if the tide is out you can walk a long way i.e. to Consiglio. The trustees will be considering two options: 1. a community park managed by the GIPRC including shore access, parking, toilet, picnic shelter or 2. A BC Park. In the event of the land becoming a BC Park, the Trust still wants a shore access to be managed by the GIPRC. Issue of where the shore access would be located as BC Parks and the Trustees have different ideas about the location. Trustees will be meeting on Monday and may make this decision then. Direction is needed from the Trustees before the CRD acts. This issue could be raised at the meeting with the CRD managers on May 9 as the CRD board will have to approve this.

7.5.5 Linklater #51

The Fire Dept. looked at the access and says some parking is needed so first responders can get through. Two spots can be created. Mario will ask the contractor to create parking here. Suggestion to get Highways to install parking signs similar to Twiss as well as GIPRC signs. This would complete Linklater.

7.5.5 Other Shore Access Issues

The Commission is aware that there will be accessibility issues at a number of accesses in order to get right down to the beach but that there are often good spots above the beach and perhaps bench installations would be more useful than handrails. Suggestion to campaign for public donations for benches. Gloria will explore bench building options with a local resident according to our specifications. Discussion about charitable receipts from the CRD. Question about the Galiano Foundation. Ed will investigate the possibility of accessing a charitable fund i.e. the Galiano Foundation perhaps. Cost of a bench is \$490 uninstalled.

Descriptions in the new brochure are very helpful.

7.6 Trails Report

7.6.1 Ringlet

Nothing further.

7.6.2 Winstanley/Bluff Park

Signage is installed. Some clearing has been done in Bluffs Park.

7.6.4 Other trails issues

None.

7.7 Parks Report

No report.

7.8 Recreation Report

The CRD removed the application form for recreation grants from their revised website. Ed located a past application form that could be used by changing the date. Ed will revise and distribute and the advertising will include Dora's contact information for forms and questions. Dora will send out the form on request. The deadline is June 30th. Dora will call the organizations that received funding last year. Jennifer will look for a list of those who received funding last year.

7.9 Volunteers Report

None.

8. Projects

Ed moved and Don seconded that pursuant to Section 90 (a), and (f) of the Community Charter that the meeting go In Camera for the purpose of discussing a land issue. Carried unanimously.

9. Other Business

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

Some toilets need attention. Contractors will be contacted.

No reply has been received from the CRD Manager of Regional Parks re: garbage cans.

10. Date for Next Meeting

Thursday, June 3, 2014.

11. Adjournment

11:10 am