

Galiano Island Parks and Recreation Commission

June 5, 2014 at 8:30 am
Galiano Island Trust/CRD Office (23 Madrona)

MINUTES

Present: Betty Kennedy (Chair), Don McKinnon, Ed Andrusiak, Allan Doty, Dora FitzGerald, Gloria Schmidt, Mario Szijarto, Mike Hoebel, John Coulthard (Recording Secretary)

Regrets: Dave Howe (CRD Director)

1. Call to Order

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

2. Approval of Agenda

Ed moved and Mike seconded that the agenda be approved.
CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Ed moved and Mike seconded that the minutes from the previous meeting be approved with the correction of the spelling of Mike Hoebel's name in Regrets and the correction of the spelling of Montague and Murcheson in 6.5.
CARRIED

4. Delegations

None.

5. Correspondence

None.

6. Primary Business

6.1 Master Plan Printing

This is expected to be out by the end of June.

6.2 Brochure

The brochures are available. Ed will take some to the Marina and Montague Park.

6.3 Commonality Meeting Report

This is covered in the following.

6.4 Workspace BC Coverage for Contractors

Commissioners want to make sure that we understand the impact of this on us. There may be a problem with our small contractors. Mario will find out if Tito has WCB.

6.5 CRD Review of Commission Powers

There was concern that the Commission might have to get every contract approved by the CRD. This would be very inhibiting. Betty will send a letter to the CRD addressing the need for an exemption for contracts up to \$7,500.00. She will draft the letter and send it to commissioners for comments before sending it.

6.6 GIPRC Agreements for Service

Not discussed.

6.7 Invoice Processing Time.

There have been slowdowns in the mail system. Sometimes the turnaround is quick, sometimes not so quick. We can do direct deposit to speed things up but few contractors here are interested in that. The CRD has a new person coming on board to handle invoice processing. Don will find out if he can scan and send invoices using email. Amounts under \$500 do not need to go to the CRD. Contractors can bill more frequently for smaller amounts if they exceed this limit.

6.8 New Requirements for Archeological Assessments of “High Potential” Sites.

Not discussed.

6.9 North Island Jamboree

The Commission will have a booth. Allan will take the table in his pickup truck. Mario has a large map of the Island he will bring. The Commission would like to get feedback from Islanders about some suggested projects. They decided to defer asking questions about the use of a park on DL79 at this time because its status is not clear and it would be premature. The Commission has been asked in the past about Kayak access. This is partly a parking issue. They want to indicate on the map which shore accesses are appropriate. The commissioners would like to get a sense of the interest in picnic shelters and primitive camping. We might ask the public about shore accesses near them that need maintenance. There was also interest in determining if residents would be willing to “adopt” a shore access. They would not be expected to do heavy work but could do things like pick up trash and remove branches. Perhaps they could be given t-shirts or vests. Perhaps the CRD could provide safety vests?

Betty will prepare a questionnaire.

6.10 Dog Waste Cans

The commissioners decided to purchase 3 Dog Waste Cans and 3 Plastic Bag Dispensers as a pilot project. They would be placed at Morning Beach, Sturdies Bay and the Heritage Forest site at the end of Georgia View Road.

6.11 Bench Donations – Charitable Fund

Commissioners would like to encourage people on the Island to donate a bench. They cost \$750.00. The CRD will issue a tax donation receipt. Some people might be interested in making a donation towards the cost of a bench but not the whole amount.

6.12 Summer Potluck

The Summer Potluck will tentatively be held at 12:30pm on July 3rd at Betty's. Gloria may not be available on that date but will know by June 11th.

6.13 Property Insurance

Don reviewed our list of insured property (e.g. toilets). The cost of insuring this is very small at about \$100 per year. Vandalism is covered. Don was not sure what the deductible was but will find out.

6.14 Resolution on Tanker Traffic/Pipeline Development

A resident has complained about the noise of tankers and would like this Commission to take a stand. The Islands Trust has taken a stand. Since this Commission is a part of the CRD we should find out if the CRD has a statement about this and determine if we can support it.

6.15 Toilet Maintenance.

David Howe has given a grant in aid to the Trails Society and Peace Park group for a toilet on Porlier Pass Road at the entrance to the Peace Park. This is a very helpful location, in particular for cyclists. Maintenance will become a problem. Perhaps they would be interested in sharing the cost of a pump out truck.

The Dewinetz (Access #50) Johnny on the Spot need cleaning up. It needs a pump out as well.

The commissioners decided it was time to pump out all the toilets on the island. Don will call Coast Environmental and arrange this..

Allan will check the Morning Beach access.

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

Parks & Rec.	2014 Budget Report		
May 31, 2014	Budget	Spent	Balance
Parks Improvement	35220.00	23538	11682
Parks maintenance	7500.00	3134	4366
Meeting expense allowance.	1780.00	825	955
Recreation	24550.00	0	24550
Recreation meeting expense	880.00	0	880
Imprest account	.	217	

7.3.2 Invoices to be Approved

None

7.3.3 Report on Payment of Invoices

Requisitions this period:

Galiano Isl. Freight	Pick up brochures	May 9/14		52.50
Gord Palmberg	Mary Ann fence est. 305/Tree clearanc	May 9/14		605.00
Stevens Excavating	Material for Sturdies Bay trail	May19/14		541.90
Dave Riebel	Clear trail in Lord park	May19/14		25.00
Don McKinnon	Commonality transport/postage etc.	Mar 18/14	127.72	
Gina Wilson	May toilet maintenance	June4/14	300.00	300.00
Peter Rabatich	May Skate park maintenance	June4/14		450.00

7.3.4 Projected Future Expenditures

Projected future expenditures:

Harper Road	6000.00
Linklater parking	500.00
#7 Ferry terminal parking access	

Total: 6500.00

**Don moved and Gloria 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

Done – this can be removed from the agenda.

7.5.2 Harper Road #60

Commissioners expressed concern about the safety of the stairs. A "Caution" sign would not be sufficient. A handrail would cost about \$2,000.00.

7.5.3 Wesley #9 – letter to landowners

This may go out this month.

7.5.4 DL79 – Community Park

Our two trustees have emphasized our desire to have a community park managed by the CRD. This is a positive step. Commissioners want to keep the communication lines open. The shore access is important. It is important for the Island to get a community park. David Howe is following up on it. If Betty is invited to a meeting she will take Ed with her.

7.5.5 Linklater #51 – Parking.

The parking signs are not ready yet.

7.5.6 Sturdies Bay #7

There is a need for a hand rail. We should approach BC Ferries to see if they would be willing to share part of the cost.

7.5.7 Zillwood #31

A neighbor reports that two large alder trees on the property are threatening to fall on the power lines. Mario will check them out. This is the concern of the MOT. We do not have the jurisdiction to cut trees.

7.5.8 Serenity #26

A neighbor asked if the public has the right to use an “undeveloped” shore access. The answer is yes. We do have a map of the undeveloped shore accesses but do not make them public. We have had requests in the past to improve the Serenity access. A house next to it is changing hands and this would be a good time to do it.

7.5.9 Other Shore Access Issues

Rene is aware of the wet trail conditions at the Dewinetz trail and will fix it. Don will send copies of Michelle's report to Betty.

There is a need to review Scorpio and Zuker Road.

7.6 Trails Report

7.6.1 Ringlet

No action.

7.6.2 Other trails issues

None.

7.7 Parks Report

7.7.1 Skatepark Lease

**Don moved and Allan seconded that the Commission approve the extension of the license for the Skateboard Park with the Lions Club for another 3 years.
CARRIED**

7.8 Recreation Report

Many applications have been received and more are expected before the deadline. The Commission will make decisions at the July meeting.

7.9 Volunteers Report

Broom was pulled in the Centennial Park Area.

8. Projects

9. Other Business

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

10. Date for Next Meeting

Thursday, July 3, 2014.

11. Adjournment

10:53 am