

Galiano Island Parks and Recreation Commission

November 6, 2014 at 8:30 am
Galiano Island Trust/CRD Office (23 Madrona)

MINUTES

Present: Betty Kennedy (Chair), Dora FitzGerald, Mike Hoebel, Don McKinnon (Treasurer), Gloria Schmidt, Mario Szijarto, Jennifer Margison (Recording Secretary)
Regrets: Ed Andrusiak, Allan Doty, Dave Howe (CRD Director)

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Agenda amended to add Recreation.

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

CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

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

CARRIED

4. Delegations

Paul LeBlond from the Galiano Trails Society attended and provided a report on the society's activities. The GTS is 4 years old and held its AGM on Oct. 25. The suggestion that they branch out into organizing hikes as well as building trails was well received. The uphill trail at the Peace Park was closed in September for safety reasons. The transfer of ownership of DL10 has been completed without loss of trail access to Mt. Galiano. DL 80 is soon to be opened to the public with an extended trail network connecting DL 79, a new community park that will be managed by the GIPRC, creating a north Galiano hiking destination. The GTS has joined with Pender, Saturna, and Mayne to form the Gulf Islands Trails Society, incorporated in July, in order to open trails on private lands on other Gulf Islands. They are now working on common insurance coverage and may adopt compatible or common signage and publicity. .

5. Correspondence

A letter of interest was received from a Galiano resident interested in putting their name forward for an upcoming vacant Commissioner position.

6. Primary Business

6.1 Master Plan Printing

Correspondence was received from Jeff Patterson regarding the printing of the Master Plan. Mike will follow up on the idea of a 3 map printout and photo attribution.

6.2 Kayak Access

No further information on signage.

6.3 Dog Waste Cans

Will monitor the dog waste situation for another year before considering installing receptacles and bag provision.

6.4 Property Tax

No response to the GIPRC query has been received. Betty will follow up with Dave Howe.

6.5 Commonality Meeting – Wednesday, October 22

Interesting speaker from Parks Canada who spoke to the idea of watching whales from shore rather than boats. Consider additional signage for accesses on Active Pass. Don will follow up with the Whale Trail website to see if we can get signs and perhaps affiliation and Mario will come up with a design for a Marine Mammal sign for consideration. There is an online Facebook group, Active Orca, that posts sightings of whales near Galiano. You can ask to join and would receive notification of whale sightings. Discussion of concrete and wood benches on Saturna.

6.6 Charitable Receipts.

Receipts for two benches have not been received.

6.7 Conservancy Toilet

Nothing is planned for this.

6.8 Vacancy on Commission

Betty will submit names for appointment and re-appointment to the CDR.

6.9 Xmas Party

This will be held Dec. 11 at Betty's. Betty will invite retiring Commissioners and Island Trust representatives and other friends of trail development on Galiano.

7. Reports

7.1 Chair's Report

No report.

7.2 CRD Director's Report

No report.

7.3 Treasurer's Report

7.3.1 Status of Accounts

As of October 31, 2014.

Parks Improvement	\$30301 spent	\$4919 balance
Parks Maintenance	\$8815 spent	\$-1315 balance
Meeting Expenses	\$1395 spent	\$385 balance
Recreation Funding	\$24550 spent	\$-0 balance
Recreation Meeting Expenses	0 spent	\$880 balance
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7.3.2 Invoices to be Approved

None.

7.3.3 Report on Payment of Invoices

Jennifer Margison	Secretarial Services (May-Oct)	570.00
Michelle Fox	Summer trail inspection/maint	725.00
Galiano Trading	Misc supplies	30.65
Apple Pie	Add in May edition	54.72
Columbus Signs	12 toilet/12 parking signs	725.76
Peter Rabatich	Skate park maintenance Oct. 14	250.00
Gina Wilson	Toilet maintenance Oct. 14	400.00
Galinao Trading	Toilet supplies	50.27

7.3.4 Projected Future Expenditures

Nothing listed at the moment other than trail inspection and toilet maintenance.

**Gloria moved and Mario seconded approval of the Treasurer's Report.
CARRIED**

7.4 CRD Parks Report

No report.

7.5 Shore Access Report

Summer report from Michelle. Erosion at Consiglio Trail #49 due to wet conditions, signage faded and broom growth at parking lot. Contractor will be contacted about some work on this. Dewinitz #50 should be looked at too. Gloria and Don will check the trails.

7.5.1 Wesley #9

Landowners have not been contacted yet..

7.5.2 DL 79

Public hearing on the two bylaws relating to this subdivision and resulting parkland acquisition was held earlier this week. Third reading to bylaws has occurred and has been moved further up the line for approval. Can anticipate that land will be transferred to the CRD for a Community Park shortly and the GIPRC planning process will then begin. The right-of-way is shown on the subdivision plan.

7.5.3 Linklater #61

Parking sign still needs to be installed.

7.5.4 Whiteware #5

On hold until Shaw Cable has finished work. Betty will follow up.

7.5.5 Montague #24

On hold for new budget year.

7.5.6 Cayzer #65

Nothing further on possible steps and signage.

7.5.7 Trincomali #37

Some tree limbing still needed here to make signage more visible.

7.5.8 Dewinitz #50

Toilet pump out here still not confirmed. Gloria and Don will inspect.

7.5.9 Gulfside #69

Signage needs to be checked here.

7.5.10 Other Shore Access Issues

None.

7.6 Trails Report

7.6.1 Ringlet

Nothing further.

7.6.2 Other trails issues

None.

Mike moved and Mario seconded a motion to move in camera to discuss a maintenance contract issue.

CARRIED.

Mike moved and Gloria seconded that the in cameras session adjourn at 10:55.

CARRIED.

7.7 Parks Report

7.8 Recreation Report

Those who applied for Grants-in-Aid through David Howe were successful in receiving funding.

7.9 Volunteers Report

None.

8. Projects

None

9. Other Business

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

10. Date for Next Meeting

Thursday, December 4, 2014.

11. Adjournment

11:00 am

