

Galiano Island Parks and Recreation Commission

November 5, 2015 at 8:30 am
Galiano Island Trust/CRD Office (23 Madrona)

MINUTES

Present: Betty Kennedy (Chair), Ed Andrusiak, Dora FitzGerald, Allan Forget, Mike Hoebel, Don McKinnon (Treasurer), Gloria Schmidt, Mario Szijarto, Dave Howe (CRD Director), Paul LeBlond (CRD Director Alternate & Galiano Trails Society), Jennifer Margison, Recording Secretary

Regrets:

1. Call to Order

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

2. Approval of Agenda

**Mike moved and Gloria seconded that the agenda be approved as amended.
CARRIED**

3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

**Ed moved and Don seconded that the minutes from the October 1, 2015 meeting be approved.
CARRIED**

Mike Will contact the Galiano Community School and School Board regarding the motion approved re: Centennial Park.

4. Delegations

Shera Street and Chidakash attended to present some concerns regarding the development of the Serenity shore access adjacent to their property. Betty summarized actions so far towards development of this access. Landowners commented that they would like to contribute to make the access work better, while protecting their privacy and made some suggestions for the location of the trail. Requested consultation about location of signage so there isn't any confusion about how to access their premises and so people don't drive down and then try to back up. Away in December and back January 5.

Peter Thompson circulated the survey of the upper part of the shore access and the proposed parking site. Noted the northern limit of the licence of occupation and anything beyond that would have to be negotiated with MoTI. Recommended parking on the western side of Serenity Lane.

Lorelei Allen attended to discuss Zayer #12 and Seatime #13. Interest in a memorial bench at Seatime. Question about funding and cost for this - approximately \$1300 plus cost of bronze plaque. Surveys need to be completed to determine location. Ed suggested initiating the usual process here.

**Mike moved and Gloria seconded initiating a survey of #12 and 13.
CARRIED.**

Question from a member of the public about having bench constructed by someone on Galiano.

5. Correspondence

None

6. Primary Business

6.1 Feedback from Commonality Meeting

Question about the interpretation of contracts that was not clear. Don would like to be involved in the discussion to clarify this with the CRD. Jennifer mentioned that she received some edits from Stephen Henderson on the notes she took at the Commonality meeting after sending them out so will be emailing a revised version.

6.2 Powers of the Commission

A sub-committee composed of Don, Ed, Mike and Betty was formed to review this.

6.3 Advertising Requirements

Advertising is not required if Commissioners' terms are ending if they are willing to stand again.

6.4 Master Plan

Now is on the website. Don and Mario would like hard copies of the plan

6.5 Shore Access Development Priorities

Gloria questioned how often we go to the public to ask about their priorities for shore access development and refer to the Master Plan. Public feedback is requested at the two annual events, Jamboree and Fiesta and could also be requested in The Active Page column. Question about shore access #43 which is not one that is on the Commissions' list of shore accesses.

6.6 GIPRC Brochure Revision

Allan and Gloria met to review the brochure and have identified some possible changes and additions. Will email and fax these to the Commissioners for review and comments. Betty will call a meeting of Allan, Gloria, Mike and Mario to discuss further. Mike will work with the Conservancy to add to the map.

6.7 Active Pass Arts and Nature Festival

Planning is well underway. Discussion of Commissioned-sponsored event - Saturday garden tour and tea and Friday reception at Betty's.

6.8 Whale Trail Update

Nothing new.

6.9 Toilets

Betty has talked with George Harris, one of the trustees. He suggested advertising inside or outside the toilets in exchange for maintenance. Question about whether

the CRD would permit this. David Howe will check with the CRD. Jennifer will add to laminated signs in toilet: "No garbage, doggie bags, bottle and cans".

6.10 Xmas Potluck

Betty asked about invitees. Will invite Steven Henderson and Carolyn Stewart from the CRD. Jennifer will email about potluck contributions.

7. Reports

7.1 Chair's Report

Dave Howe reported that he will be leaving next week until Dec. 17. Currently Vice-Chair of the CRD Board and will put his name forward for Vice-Chair again. Mike thanked him for grant-in-aid for the Active Pass Arts and Nature Festival. Ben Mabblerley, will now be the Harbours Commissioner for the Southern Gulf Islands in place of Sheila Midgely. Discussion of the need for a toilet at Montague.

7.2 CRD Director's Report

None

7.3 Treasurer's Report

7.3.1 Status of Accounts

As of October 31, 2015.

Parks Improvement	\$5389 spent; \$30461 balance
Parks Maintenance	\$12588 spent; -\$4938 balance
Meeting Expense Allowance	\$1703 spent; \$77 balance
Recreation	\$25300 spent; \$0 balance
Recreation Meeting Expense	\$0 spent; \$880 balance
Imprest Account	\$919
Capital Reserve	\$39720
Project Budget	7131
Cost Recovery (Whale Trail)	395

7.3.2 Invoices to be Approved

None.

7.3.3 Report on Payment of Invoices

Michelle Fox	Fall trail inspection	\$700
Don McKinnon	Garbage cans	\$222.52
Allison Colwell	Commonality catering	\$850
DoMo Communications	Design park signs	\$91.88
Peter Thomson	Survey Serenity lane	\$472.50
Stevens Excavating	Whiteware parking	\$866.25
Galiano Trading	Hardware & fasteners	\$101.09
Gina Wilson	Facility maintenance	\$400.00
Derrick Silvey	Skate park maintenance	\$125.00

7.3.4 Projected Future Expenditures

DL79 Environmental Assessment	\$800
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Montague Harbour toilet	\$8000
Whiteware #5 Improvements	\$1000
Total:	\$9800

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

7.4 CRD Parks Report

None.

7.5 Shore Access Report

7.5.1 Wesley #9

On hold.

7.5.2 Whiteware #5

Parking lot has been graveled and a rope handrail will be installed. Will not proceed with stone steps and gate at this time. Parking signs will be needed so it is not used for ferry parking. Ask Rene for input on what is practical here to aid access to the beach i.e. a rope and then have consultation with Commissioners.

7.5.3 Gulf Drive #4

Top stone needs securing and access is partially blocked by driftwood. Rene will inspect.

7.5.4 Serenity #26

Adjacent landowners proposal for change of location of the trail requires another inspection. Betty will ask Peter to confirm his survey in accordance with information provided by landowners and locate stone steps to the beach on the survey.

7.5.5 Valerie's Place #48

Rene will be repairing handrail.

7.5.6 Zayer #12

Survey has been approved.

7.5.7 Seatime #13

Survey has been approved.

7.5.8 Other Shore Access Issues

Allan mentioned request for another No Smoking sign at Zelter. Allan will install.

Geocaching - Allison Caldwell mentioned to Allan and Gloria all the positive comments on shore accesses and trail from geocaching community. Request for funds from recreation fund to teach geocaching through the Activity Centre but as all funds expended, she will be invited to apply next year. Dora mentioned that the Conservancy has been very involved with this so Allison should be referred to the Conservancy to work in tandem with them. Perhaps also include information about this on the brochure

7.6 Trails Report

7.6.1 Ringlet

Nothing further.

7.6.2 Sturdies Bay Trail

Has been walked by several people and is reported to be in good condition.

7.7 Parks Report

7.7.1 DL 79

Forestry covenant is still being worked on and completion of the transfer may be delayed until April but Mike is still hopeful it will be sooner.

7.7.2 Sticks Allison West Park

Allan suggested further trail work in the park. Paul offered trail work volunteers through the Galiano Trails Society. Additional signs have been ordered.

7.7.4 Other Parks Issues

None.

7.8 Recreation Report

Letter received from school food group.

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)

Ed mentioned that the information on the CRD Parks website is comprehensive. Mike will get the brochure on the website as the supply of brochures is used up. Recreation grants posted there need updating. Jennifer will check the website regularly and update.

10. Date for Next Meeting

Thursday, December 3, 2015.

11. Adjournment

11:00 am.

Note: Xmas potluck will be held at Betty's following the December 3 GIPRC meeting. Spouses and partners welcome. Please email Jennifer with potluck contributions.

Betty Kennedy, Chair, Galiano Parks and Recreation Commission