

Galiano Island Parks and Recreation Commission

September 14, 2017 at 8:30 am
Galiano Island Trust/CRD Office (23 Madrona)

MINUTES

Present: Ed Andrusiak (Chair), Paul LeBlond, Allan Forget, Gloria Schmidt, Werner Heinrich, Mike Hoebel, John Coulthard (Recording Secretary).

Regrets: Keith Hutchinson, Dave Howe (Regional Director).

Call to Order: 8:30 a.m.

1. Approval of Agenda

Paul moved and Werner seconded that the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Mike moved and Allan seconded that the minutes from the August 3, 2017 meeting be approved with the correction under 5.1 of the number "\$25.00" to "\$25,000".

CARRIED

3. Delegations

Keith Erickson of the Galiano Conservancy gave a presentation about the plans the Conservancy has for the Millard Learning Centre with respect to allowing public access to the shoreline as recommended by the Advisory Planning Commission and supported by GIPRC. The Conservancy would like to satisfy this recommendation as part of the rezoning process and proposes to establish a statutory right of way along Porlier Pass road and along the northern boundary to a viewpoint over Trincomali Channel that would be suitable for a picnic table or bench. They desire to develop a legal document that would not require an expensive legal survey. Accordingly the Conservancy would like this commission to direct CRD staff to work with the Conservancy to make this possible. There would be some cost involved.

There was consensus that this is a great opportunity to secure a long term public interest at a reasonable cost.

Ed moved and Werner seconded that the Commission is interested in securing public access through the Millard Learning Centre to the shore along Porlier Pass Road as recommended by the APC provided the proposed development is economically reasonable.

CARRIED

Ed will follow up with Stephen Henderson at the CRD.

4. Correspondence

None.

5. Primary Business

5.1 Budget

Multi year priorities include DL79 which we would like to have largely complete in 2 years. There are several shore accesses that require work. The commission would like to consider improving the steep trail to Matthews Beach. Some parts of the Sturdies bay Trail require upgrading and repair. There was some discussion about the Zenner/Highview access. The Harris access can be eliminated as another access is not required there.

Ed will work it up into a 5 year draft Capital Reserve plan that is to be submitted to CRD by the end of September.

5.2 Referral on CRD Draft Regional Trail Plan

A letter was sent and a reply received. The commission did not feel it was worth pursuing trying to move Galiano up in priority for regional trail development work any further at this time.

5.3 Contracting

Ed moved and Paul seconded that the Commission go in camera in accordance with Section 90 (a) of the Community Charter for discussion of “personal information about an identifiable individual who holds, or is being considered for, a position as an officer, employee or agent of the Board”
CARRIED

Ed moved and Allan seconded that the Commission enter into negotiations with Michael Carruthers to reach a proposed agreement within the budget allocated for the contract.
CARRIED

Ed moved and Paul seconded that the Commission return back to open meeting.
CARRIED

5.4 Commonality Meeting

Will be held October 12.

5.5 Fiesta Report

No comments were received from the public.

5.6 CRD Recordkeeping Requirements

Werner will follow up.

5.7 Recreation Bylaw

Passed

5.8 Recruitment of New Commissioner

No further interest received from the posting of the vacancy. Commissioners will continue to keep looking.

5.9 Toilets

The broken toilet roll dispenser at Dewinitz has been fixed. Karen Harris, in her capacity as North Galiano Fire Chief has volunteered to continue to maintain the toilet at Retreat Cove as per the tradition established by the previous fire chief. The Commission sends out a vote of thanks to Karen.

The commission decided to purchase 3 garbage cans. Ed will follow up on this.

5.10 Illegal Camping

BC Parks intends to add 15 more sites at Montague. The Commission decided they would like to step back, monitor and observe. If illegal camping on lands in which CRD has an interest does become an issue, it will be discussed with the CRD staff.

6. Reports

6.1 Chair's Report

None

6.2 CRD Director's Report

None.

6.3 Treasurer's Report

6.3.1 Status of Accounts

As of September 8, 2017.

ACTIVITY	SPENT	BALANCE
Parks Improvement	\$1,730	\$11,150
Toilet Maintenance	\$9,500.83	\$5,499.85
Parks Maintenance	\$11,260.16	\$4,739.79
Meeting Expense Allowance	\$816	\$1,062
Recreation	\$25,860	\$0
Recreation meeting Expense	\$0	\$330
Imprest Account		\$820.88
Capital Reserve		\$42,217
Donations		\$5,000
Sign Sales		\$230

6.3.2 Invoices to be Approved

Ed moved and Mike seconded payment of \$1879 to Coast Environmental for pumping toilets.

CARRIED

Ed moved and Paul seconded payment of \$1100 to Gina Wilson for toilet cleaning.

CARRIED

6.3.3 Report on Payment of Invoices

Apple Pie	Quarter Page Ad (Sept. to Aug.)	\$33.55
Galiano Trading	Toilet Paper and Supplies	\$312.42
Ed Andrusiak	Catering for Stewards Luncheon.	\$575.00
Annie Okuda	Toilet Cleaning	\$616.00

6.3.4 Projected Future Expenditures

Zachery Road	\$7000
DL79 Development – parking lot	\$1000
Morning Beach Maintenance	\$600
Garbage Removal (Nadia)	\$200
Whiteware	\$600
Total	\$9,400

Ed moved and Paul seconded approval of the Treasurer's Report.

CARRIED.

6.4 Shore Access Report

6.4.1 Whiteware #5

Ongoing.

6.4.2 Wesley #9

Defer to next meeting.

6.4.3 Zachary #57

Peter Thompson has offered to provide site design plans for free. We need to show the location for a parking area, bench, boardwalk and where the trail will go. Allan will discuss requirements with Peter and oversee production of a site plan.

6.4.4 Morning Beach #59

Tito will proceed as soon as the weather breaks. The commission would like to proceed as soon as possible. Allan will follow up on this.

6.4.5 Other Shore Access Issues

A dead tree is down across the path at #60. MOTI will deal with it. At #38 the owner will take responsibility for removing a dead tree. At #59 MOTI will remove a dangerous tree.

6.5 Trails Report

6.5.1 Trail Inspections

No reports.

6.6 Parks Report

6.6.1 DL 79

Nothing further.

6.6.2 Lord Park

No change. Don McKinnon has the sign at his place which can be retrieved when the tree is removed.

6.6.3 Other Community Park Issues

No reports.

6.7 Recreation – Funding for 2017

All funds have been paid out.

6.6 Volunteers Report

18 volunteers attended the luncheon.

7. Projects

None.

8. Other Business

8.1 Input from members of the public.

The Commission was urged by a member of the public to write a letter of support to incorporate Lot 9 into Bodega Ridge Provincial Park. The land in question is currently already owned by the Department of Finance (i.e. The government).

Date for Next Meeting

Thursday, October 5, 2017

Adjournment

11:50 am.

Ed Andrusiak, Chair, Galiano Parks and Recreation Commission