

Galiano Island Parks and Recreation Commission

August 2, 2018 at 8:30 am
Galiano Island Trust/CRD Office (23 Madrona)

MINUTES

Present: Mike Hoebel (Vice-Chair), Allan Forget, Paul LeBlond, Stephen Rybak, Gloria Schmidt, Werner Heinrich, Andrea Mills (Southern Gulf Islands Legislative Coordinator), Ben Maberley (Alternate CRD Director), Jennifer Margison (Recording Secretary)

Regrets: Ed Andrusiak (Chair), Keith Hutchinson, Dave Howe (CRD Director), Michael Carrothers (GIPRC Maintenance Contractor)

Call to Order: 8:32a.m.

1. Approval of Agenda

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

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Stephen moved and Gloria seconded that the draft minutes from the June 7, 2018 meeting be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

3. Delegations

None.

4. Correspondence

An email was received suggesting adding signs to steeper, longer trails recommending people bring water for dogs. Paul mentioned that he had written a short piece on dogs on trails in the August Active page.

The Golf Club contacted Ed to ask that the golf course be included on our brochure map.

5. Primary Business

5.1 Maintenance Contractor's Report

Maintenance Contractor Michael Carrothers was absent due to Coast Environmental being on the island doing toilet pump outs. No questions about his very thorough previously circulated report. (Attached.) The Commission is very pleased with his work.

5.2 Master Plan Review

Discussion of the revised version of the "Strategic Directions - Principles" that Stephen circulated to all Commissioners. Noted that the development of management plans for all community parks was in the last Master Plan and have yet to be done. Next steps: Stephen will develop a format for public comment on principles and priorities and a communications plan to solicit public input. Comments will be solicited at the Fiesta, Daystar and

Saturday Market. Copies will be placed in public locations like the Library. A questionnaire will be developed for an island mailout as well as a poster. Also use the GIPRC Facebook page to solicit comment.

5.3 Fiesta

Stephen, Paul, Gloria and Jennifer will setup starting at 9:30.

5.4 Fall Commonality Meeting

Suggested dates between October 22-26. Other islands' Parks and Recreation Commissions are being polled regarding the date. Possible theme - cooperation among island organizations that deal with parks. Other topics: cycling on trails and in parks, camping, Master Plan Reviews, Park Stewards program, Maintenance Contract, tree falling certification. Venues being considered. Allan will check on facility availability.

5.5 Islands Trust Rezoning Referral

GIPRC received a referral from the Galiano Island Local Trust Committee with a request for response regarding proposed rezoning of a property from Forest (F2) to Rural 2 (R2) (LTC Bylaws 267 and 268). There is currently a publicly accessible trail from the Galiano Club's Mt. Galiano property that connects to the BC Collinson Point Provincial Park, and appears to wander onto this property. The owner has an agreement (recently renewed for 10 years) with the Trails Society that covers the section of trail on the private property.

Mike moved and Werner seconded that the following wording be used for the Commission's response to the Referral: "Approval is recommended conditional on the continued existence of a public access trail between the Mt. Galiano property and Collinson Point Provincial Park where the trail may enter onto the subject property, in accordance with the Schedule E of the Galiano Official Community Plan."

CARRIED

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 August 2, 2018

ACTIVITY	SPENT	BALANCE
Parks Improvement	\$7960.63	\$4929.35
Parks Maintenance	\$21015.34	\$22277.46
Meeting Expense Allowance	\$160	\$1720
Recreation	\$33192	\$678
Recreation meeting Expense	\$0	\$330
Imprest Account		\$469.33

Capital Reserve		\$57041.95
Donations		\$
Sign Sales		\$

6.3.2 Invoices to be approved

Michael Carrothers July 31 Park Maint. (contract) \$3402

Paul Moved and Stephen seconded the payment of \$3402 to Mike Carrothers for his work in July.

CARRIED

6.3.3 Payment of Invoices

Loose Leaf	PO Box rental	\$174.30
Gord Palmberg	Bench constr. & install	\$900
Michael Carrothers	Sign, signpost install	\$212.63
Galiano Trading	Mainten. materials	\$130.24

6.3.4 Projected Future Operating Expenditures for 2018

Garbage removal (Nadia)	\$200
Toilet supplies & pumping	\$2700
Skatepark toilet repair	\$1000
Parks Maintenance Contract	\$17652.50
Total	\$21552.50

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

6.4 Shore Access Report

6.4.1 Benches

The Morrison bench is now installed at Morning Beach. Discussion of the cost of the bench purchase and installation. Table discussion on bench policy until Ed's return.

6.4.2 Zayer #12

Warning sign is now up at this undeveloped access.

6.4.3 Zenner #64

Zenner #64 has been taken off the priority list due to the steep ravine that would necessitate a bridge which would make it expensive to develop. The trail would not end up at Murcheson Cove so the value would be questionable.

6.4.5 Other Shore Access Issues

None.

6.5 Trails Report

The Maintenance Contractor's report detailed work done on the Sturdies Bay Trail - regular garbage accumulation, and the upper part of the Bell Trail - tree removal and pruning. Suggestion made by Andrea for more positive signage, "Thank you for keeping our trails and parks clean." Discussion of garbage on trails and a mention of a locked garbage bin on Pender with the key in the store that could be provided during off hours.

6.6 Parks Report

6.6.1 DL 79 – Planning Update

Discussion about promoting the trail along the shoreline from DL79 to Dionesio. No formal comment from BC Parks as yet but K2 people express caution as it would change the park from "Marine Access Only" in the summer. Question of where would people enter the park.

6.6.2 Skatepark Toilet Repair

Michael Carrothers has been delayed by finding a helper but has now found someone so repair will be going ahead.

6.6.3 Lord Park

Allan has been monitoring twice a week. Has only ever been one car so perhaps the complaint about 8 cars was an anomaly. Allan will continue to monitor car parking here.

6.6.4 Other Parks Issues

None.

6.7 Recreation Report

None.

6.8 Volunteers Report

Park Stewards Appreciation lunch will be held on Friday, Sept. 14, noon at Betty's. There are 39 Park Stewards and an additional 10 guests for a total of 50 invitations issued. Likely 30 will come. There is eating on the deck for 31 and place settings and cutlery for 25.

New park steward - Suzanne Fournier for #45 Heather at Saltery Bay. 27 of 31 shore accesses are now covered. Will be recruiting at Fiesta for the remaining shore accesses. Suggestion to have a you tube slide show of shore access photos. Park Stewards may be interested in talking photos.

7. Other Business

7.1 Un-addressed thoughts and concerns (and any input from members of the public)

A question was raised about a proposal to build affordable rental housing (a 6 plex) in the Community Forest. The title holder is the Galiano Club. A management plan developed some years ago includes zoning for a 7 1/2 hectare strip along the road and developing a few

acres of this for housing. A portion has been staked out. Water, road access, hydro are all issues that will be discussed at a presentation at the September Local Trust meeting. There may be some provincial funding through BC Housing. The Galiano Club would have to apply for rezoning but it has yet to be decided if this portion of the community forest would be divided off and leased or sold to a non-profit group. The Galiano Club will not be the developer.

8. Date for Next Meeting

Thursday, September 6, 2018

9. Adjournment

10:37 am.

Mike Hoebel, Vice-Chair, Galiano Parks and Recreation Commission