

MINUTES: GALIANO ISLAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
May 10, 2023 Galiano Library Meeting Room/Zoom

Present: Commissioners Charlene Dishaw (Chair), Lorne Byzyna, Barry New, Gerald Longson, Andrew Simon, Jim Henshall.
Staff: Emma Davis(EP) Galiano Liaison for the CRD) Lori Seay (Recorder)
Regrets: Stephen Ryback, Catherine Clinton, Paul Brent
EP=Electronic Participation

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

1. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Commission Chair Dishaw provided a territorial acknowledgement.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Commissioner Byzyna, Seconded by Commissioner New that the May 10, 2023 agenda be approved. CARRIED.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED by Commissioner Longson, Seconded by Commissioner Byzyna that the April 6, 2023 minutes be approved as amended.. CARRIED.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

Michael Carrothers is recovering from an illness and is unavailable for 4-6 weeks.

ACTION: Chair Dishaw will reach out to shore access stewards to provide additional oversight in the Maintenance Contractor's absence.

5. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

NONE.

6. RECREATION GRANT APPLICATION REVIEW

MOVED by Chair Dishaw , Seconded by Commissioner Simon to approve the expenditure of \$35,750 for community recreation grants to the following applicants:

Active Passive	\$800
Coro Galiano	\$2,000
GC-Gleaning	\$900
GC-Winter Gardening	\$500.00

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PAC	\$1,000
Conservancy	\$1,200
Daycare	\$700
Golf Course	\$1,600
Health Care Society	\$2,000.00
Activity Center	20,000
Needle Guild	\$1,200
NGCA	\$2,200.00
Playgroup	\$200.00
Sturdies Baybs	\$450
Yellow House	\$1,000

CARRIED.

7. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

- 7.1 Maintenance Contractor's Report : A full report was circulated prior to the meeting. Matthew's Upper trail work is almost complete. Bottom trail work paused until an appropriate contractor is found. With contractor absent, public toilet maintenance is a concern.

ACTION: Chair Dishaw will follow up on toilet maintenance.

- 7.2 Parks, Trails and Shore Access Report: Report circulated prior to meeting.

- 7.3 Recreation Report: 2022-2023 Facebook page will be used to share highlights from Grantee reports.

ACTION: Commissioner New will send grant approval letters.
Lori will post highlights from previous grant recipients on the GIPRC Facebook page.

- 7.4 Volunteer Report: Allan Forget and Anita Braha are new volunteer stewards for Betty's Place.

- 7.5 Betty's Place Operations Subcommittee Report : Irrigation system is being readied for the warmer weather. Upcoming Garden Gallivant /Open House in partnership with the Garden Club will be held on May 14 at 1 p.m. CRD has directed that we not allow guests on the deck during the event. Commissioner Rybak and Chair Dishaw will manage community engagement at the event.

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- 7.6 Betty's Place Master Planning Subcommittee: Structural engineer visit is booked 10 May 2023, with a view to future assembly use, and the invoice for approximately \$1000 will be received by GIPRC. An RFP for house assessment will be developed by Commissioner Longson.

8. TREASURER REPORT

A full report including April 2023 statements were circulated prior to the meeting.

MOVED by Commissioner Simon, Seconded by Commissioner Longson to approve the financial report to April 30, 2023. CARRIED.

9. UPDATE STATUS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS

- 9.1 Silú Park Completion: Working on a graphic map of trails for posting. Signs are under construction.

ACTION: Chair Dishaw will finish Silu "story" for the interpretation panel from the Master Plan.

- 9.2 #17 Zuker-Georgeson Bay Shore Access Restoration: Jeannine Georgeson will be developing a plan for cultural services this year. New UVic student Deanna will coordinate a "Making a Difference" work event with local volunteers in early June. A presentation to the Commission on the restoration to date will be made in June 2023.

ACTION: Commissioner Simon arrange for a Georgeson Bay restoration presentation for June 2023.

10. NEW BUSINESS

- 10.1 Trails Maintenance Contract: Michael Carrothers has tendered his resignation effective May 28, 2023. The Commission discussed recruitment strategies. A probationary period will be used for the new contract. Employee support and training will be important. A thank you event will be organized for Michael Carrothers.

ACTION: Chair Dishaw will develop a contract posting and circulate widely.
Chair Dishaw will reach out to Justine Starke regarding CRD insurance requirements for prospective contractors.

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10.2 SGI Parks and Recreation Commonality Meeting: The gathering is scheduled for June 20, 2023. A morning hike from the ferry to Betty's place via the Bluffs will kick off the day. The meeting will be held at Betty's Place from 12:00 - 6:00 p.m. Catering has been organized.

10.3 Commissioner Recruitment: Chair Dishaw noted that the Commission can anticipate vacancies for 2024 . Any recommendations for new GIPRC Commissioners must be submitted to CRD by November 2023.

11. ADJOURNMENT: 11:40 a.m.

Approved at the June 1, 2023 GIPRC Meeting:



CHAIR

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COMMITTEE CLERK "