

M.I.P.R.C. Minutes – May 11, 2011

The May meeting of the MIPRC was held at the Library on Wednesday, May 11. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Peter Askin was in the Chair.

Present:	Peter Askin	Jerry Wise	Liz Howard	Alan Guy
	Doug Johnston	Jerry Betker	Kathie Warning	
Absent:	Anny Scoones			

1. **Approval of Agenda: (Motion)** Moved by Liz Howard, seconded by Jerry Betker that the Agenda be adopted. Motion carried.
2. **Approval of March Minutes: (Motion)** Moved by Doug Johnston, seconded by Jerry Wise that the minutes of the May meeting be adopted. Motion carried.
3. **Old Business –**
 - a) **Luncheon for Past/Present Commissioners – May 12 –** Everything in place; banner, name cards (Janet Guy), photos (Brian Haller), plaques (Marlie Chubb). Good attendance anticipated.
 - b) **Reading Centre Lease –** Lease has been signed. Peter will get a copy from Judy Walker.
 - c) **Easter Egg Hunt –** Well attended; some items need to be addressed before next year – i.e. more coffee, cut back on amount of candy, hand over races to others (suggested – Youth Fitness Group)
 - d) **Parks Brochure –** Reprint numbers have been reduced to 4,000 (previously 5,000), with minor changes.
4. **Correspondence (In-coming) –** None
5. **Correspondence (Out-going) –**
 - a) Letter to Mayne Island Conservancy Society confirming support for their stewardship program/restoration of Henderson Park.
6. **New Business:**
 - a) **Park 2011 Insured Property Replacement Values –** MIPRC reviewed the insured values list, created by CRD. Everything seems to have been included, with exception of 2 items: Henderson Park staircase at Beach Access (\$5,000) to be added, and Japanese Garden content value to be increased from \$33,922.46 to \$100,000. Kathie will contact CRD Risk Management to confirm that these items are included and corrected.
 - b) **Funding Applications –** Ad to be created asking grant applications to be in by middle of July.
7. **Treasurer's Report –** Jerry Wise gave the treasurer's report (attached). **(Motion)** Moved by Jerry Wise, seconded by Alan Guy to adopt the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried. Jerry spoke about possibly waiving charging (on a case by case basis) to use the kitchen at Adachi Pavilion. Discussion. **(Motion)** Moved by Jerry Wise, seconded by Alan Guy that rental charges and damage deposit be waived for the Mayne Island Boaters 2 day booking. Carried.
8. **Committee Reports:**
 - a) **Dinner Bay –**
 - Lions would like to build a portable band-stand (15x15), collapsible, and dedicate it to Peter Archer (funding bequest). Discussion. **(Motion)** Moved by Jerry Betker, seconded by Liz, that MIPRC approve the building of a portable bandstand in memorial for Peter Archer. Carried.
 - Matt Taylor is working on field drain at Ball Park.
 - Gravel going in under bleachers. Ball Club will pour cement and do the work.
 - Wood chip load has been ordered.
 - Weed whacker to be used to cut broom (Peter)
 - Mark Aitkin will branch trees as soon as the weather gets better.
 - Putting green – difficulty finding helpers to look after this. Ad to be placed in Mayneliner.
 - Big thank you to crew for cleaning up the park before the Easter Egg Hunt.

b) Miners Bay –

- Big things happening at the park; big trucks, big rocks, big machines, big efforts by many people. Huge thanks to Matt Taylor, John Dodds and a veritable army of Garden Club members for the creation of Mayne's version of a Greek amphitheatre and for planting of 3 Norway Maples and for the spreading of top soil around the installed stones. High quality, low-growth grass seeding will occur above the 'seats' and between the rows. Thanks also to Janeck Ropars for the second load of fill for the road shoulder.
- Once the exact property line is confirmed on May 12, first part of the split rail fence will be positioned, parallel with Village Bay Rd with one section facing Naylor Rd. Appropriate planting will be installed in the 'vees' of the fence.
- We need someone with the right tools to cut the rebar on the railway sleeper headers so that they may be put back in place.
- Next area for attention is the planter to be created between the current library walkway and the newly built stairs down to the basement ramp. We have a good craftsman lined up for this.
- For the Maypole event (May Day) on May 21st, the maze is marked out and hopefully will be very visible on the day. We can but hope for the right weather for that activity.
- **(Motion)** Moved by Jerry Wise, seconded by Jerry Betker that a memorial bench be installed at the Library, for Jim Couch asap.
- **(Motion)** Moved by Jerry Wise, seconded by Liz to transfer \$4663 from Felix Jack Account (Peter Archer's bequest gift) to Miners Bay Park. Carried.

c) Japanese Garden

- Memorial Candle Light Vigil arranged for May 14, to show support for Japan and the trials that the country is going through.
- Gardens are looking great.

d) Village Bay Park –

- Bridge going over creek has been re-surfaced.
- Lawn has been mowed
- Doug and Peter will scope out the stairway from Mariners. Jim Starkey will help out.

e) Emma & Felix Jack Park –

- Clean up last week. Park is looking good.

f) Henderson Park and Trail Network Development --

- Cement footings for viewing platform installed April 25. The workers (Hamiltons) will return this month to complete the job (needing help to carry lumber through the neighbours' property).
- Lots of broom being cut; many broom stacks to be burned. Peter needs fire tenders for Friday.
- Jerry B. and Peter visited Plumper Pass Trail to check out possible staircase. Mayneliner ad to go out requesting expression of interest. **(Motion)** Moved by Jerry B., seconded by Liz to put out bids to tender for approximate 60 foot staircase at Plumper Pass Community Park. Carried.
- Discussion about permanent deer fence at Henderson Park to protect the delicate ec0-systems from fallow deer (zones 2 & 3); Jerry W. spoke with CRD and has received approval to use the capital reserve fund. The fence can be put on the 'insured' list as asset. **(Motion)** Moved by Alan, seconded by Jerry B to start the process to look at cost to build a fence around the delicate eco-system areas of Henderson Park. Carried.

School bursary awards scheduled for first week of June. Alan Guy will contact the school.

(Motion) Moved by Liz, seconded by Doug, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

NEXT MEETING (AFTERNOON) – WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 3:30 – Library