

## M.I.P.R.C. Minutes – December 14, 2011

The December meeting of the MIPRC was held at the Library on Wednesday, December 14. The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

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| Present:  | Peter Askin (Chair) | Jerry Betker   | Alan Guy   |
|           | Liz Howard          | Kathie Warning |            |
| Absent:   | Doug Johnston       | Anny Scoones   | Jerry Wise |
| Visitors: | Ann Hadaway         | Paul Dumond    |            |

- Approval of Agenda: (Motion)** Moved by Liz, seconded by Alan Guy that the Agenda be adopted. Motion carried.
- Approval of November Minutes:** Moved by Liz, seconded by Alan that November Minutes be approved. Error in Old Business: 6(a) add Japanese Garden to insurance list. Motion carried.
- Correspondence (In-coming) –**
  - Information sent from Rob Underhill from the Conservancy regarding Henderson Interpretive Trail Project (Timeline and description of plans for the infrastructure). Peter explained the background to the visitors.
  - Letter of Commission application received from Bill Duggan. (See New Business)
- Correspondence (Out-going) –** None.
- Old Business –**
  - Christmas Dinner** – Everyone enjoyed the Commissioner's Christmas dinner at the Wild Fennel. Thanks to Jerry for organizing it, and special thanks to the Wild Fennel.
  - Commissioners' Renewed Terms** – Peter confirmed the renewed terms of Peter Askin, Liz Howard, and Anny Scoones.
- New Business –**
  - Commission Vacancies** – Alan Guy is stepping down as Commissioner, as of January 2012. Peter thanked Alan for his tremendous work on the Commission and said that he will be missed very much.  
  
Peter has received one application for Commissioner from Bill Duggan. Peter explained that he has worked with Bill on a number of projects with TND and feels he would be able to fill the vacant position. **(Motion)** Moved by Alan Guy, seconded by Liz to accept Bill Duggan as MIPR Commissioner for a two year term. Motion carried. Peter will confirm Bill's acceptance.  
  
**Officer Positions for 2012:**  
Treasurer: Jerry Wise – nominated and declared by acclamation.  
Secretary: Kathie Warning asked to step down from the MIPRC, but will stay on for a couple of months or until someone can be found.  
Alternate Chair: Jerry Betker – nominated and declared by acclamation.  
Chair: Peter Askin will accept the position for another year.  
Commissioner: Liz Howard – nominated and declared by acclamation.
  - New S.G.I. Director, Dave Howe;** Peter will invite Dave to attend our meeting (and lunch) asap.
  - Tennis Courts** – It was suggested that the Tennis Club be contacted regarding the courts being locked. Because of MIPRC grant, it was felt that they should be open at all times for the public. Kathie will contact the Tennis Club.
- Treasurer's Report** -- not available. Jerry Wise will present the year-end report and discussion at the January meeting.
- Committee Reports:**
  - Dinner Bay** –
    - Gift certificate has been purchased for Matt Taylor

- Only one washroom is now open (uni-sex); the others have been winterized and lines have been 'blown' out.
- Grass has been cut and leaves mulched.
- Ball players fence is still up.
- Lions have asked for 2<sup>nd</sup> flag pole to fly their flag. **(Motion)** Moved by Alan, seconded by Liz to give the Lions permission to install a 2<sup>nd</sup> flag pole and put up the Lions flag. Motion carried.
- The kitchen has been winterized and all picnic tables (except for 2) have been put away.

**b) Village Bay – No Report**

**c) Japanese Garden –**

- Christmas lights are up – with the help of 26 volunteers! The evening schedule has been organized – starting Saturday; the lights will also be on for Santa Ship Saturday. There are no high voltage lights now; should mean lower hydro bills.

**d) Henderson Park and Trail Network Development --**

- New 'East Boundary Trail' is now complete. 537.2 meters. Not ready for use until signs and trail markers have been installed. Signs have been ordered. There is 10 meters of trail where rope is required.
- The Interpretive nature trail to be completed by March.
- Large alder tree fell on the Boardwalk Trail; to be repaired.
- Peter has cleaned up the area close to the Mittons and put up more signage.
- Stairs at the end of Arbutus Drive have been pulled up.

**e) Miners Bay**

- Christmas lights put up on Dec. 10 -- with special thanks to Ted Burden and Glen Wilson. We hope they did eventually 'thaw out'. Tree looks great (shorter strings). More found in Library basement.
- Community bonfire and sing-along on Christmas eve is from about 5:30 pm onwards. Chamber will supply hot chocolate and other stuff.
- Patio gravel in place; old blocks have gone on to greater things in other places. Layout of a footpath adjacent to the front steps has been decided. Surplus of soil from the plantings by the fence will go to fill the ruts below Naylor Road.
- Thanks to Doug McNeil who keeps cutting the grass. He would really appreciate having the ride-on mower serviced before the end of Feb. Looking for the nearest John Deere outlet.
- There is still one-half box of 2011 brochures left, which is about right, if the 2012 issue can be available by Easter. Alan is more than happy to continue loading the brochure racks next year, as he does for the Lions, Chamber and the Ferry Schedules.
- Jack Jensen bench to be picked up by Jerry Betker.
- Although Alan has given his 'notice' to step down from MIPRC, he will stay around and help with the Library until everything has finalized. Alan thanked MIPRC for the generous certificate and said it will be put to good use. Peter thanked Alan for all his work on the MIPRC and everyone expressed that it's been an honour and pleasure to work with Alan!

**(Motion)** Moved by Liz, seconded by Jerry B, to adjourn the meeting at 4:45 pm. Motion carried.

**NEXT MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2012  
3:30 p.m. at LIBRARY**