

M.I.P.R.C. Minutes – January 18, 2011

The January meeting of the MIPRC was held at the Library on Wednesday, January 18. The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

Present: Peter Askin (Chair) Doug Johnston Liz Howard
Bill Duggan Kathie Warning
Absent: Anny Scoones Jerry Wise Jerry Betker
Special Guest: Dave Howe, Southern Gulf Islands Electoral Area Director

1. **Special Guest:** Peter introduced Dave Howe, Southern Gulf Islands Electoral Area Director and welcomed him to our meeting.
2. **Approval of Agenda: (Motion)** Moved by Liz, seconded by Doug that the Agenda be adopted. Motion carried.
3. **Approval of December Minutes:** Moved by Liz, seconded by Bill Duggan that December Minutes be approved. Motion carried.
4. **Correspondence (In-coming) –**
 - a) E-mail received from Harvey Lee, CRD Insurance Manager, with attached park insurance information. Discussion and decision to add Henderson Park staircase. Kathie will have the staircase noted, but insurable value for Henderson to be kept at \$5,000.
5. **Correspondence (Out-going) –** None.
6. **Old Business –**
 - a) **Advertisement in Mayneliner for Commissioner/Secretary** – an ad will be placed in the February Mayneliner for Commissioner/Secretary to take over Kathie's role.
7. **New Business –**
 - a) **MIPRC Special Events** – Discussion about getting more people involved to organize MIPRC special events: Easter Egg Hunt, Volunteer BBQ, Canada Day Celebrations. Kathie will ask Marlie to prepare a check list of the Easter Egg Hunt event to determine how much work is required. Suggestions made that perhaps another island group would take over the Easter Egg Hunt. More discussion is required.
 - b) **Custodial Contract** – Discussion around the job description of what is required of the parks' washroom custodian. Peter may have a copy and will supply it to Jerry Wise. There is a possibility that the contract is coming up for renewal.
 - c) **Japanese Garden 10 Year Anniversary** – The Chamber of Commerce has asked if they could use a photo of the Japanese Garden on the cover of their 2012 brochure and highlight the 10 year anniversary of the commemoration of official opening of the Garden. They will send an official letter of request to MIPRC.
8. **Treasurer's Report** -- no report. Jerry Wise will present the year-end report and discussion at the February meeting.
9. **Committee Reports:**
 - a) **Dinner Bay –**
 - The park is in good order.
 - The bench is ready for installation.
 - b) **Village Bay –**
 - All's well at the park.

c) Japanese Garden –

- Christmas lights have been taken down. This year's display was very successful, with over \$1,200 in donations. Liz is keen to receive the Hydro invoice to see if the usage is lower because of the LED lights used. Unfortunately, the LED lights need to be replaced more often.
- Discussion regarding the 10 year anniversary of the original dedication ceremony. It was decided that a notice should go out in the Mayneliner.

d) Henderson Park and Trail Network Development --

- With thanks to Bill Duggan and Peter the New 'East Boundary Trail' is now complete; just waiting on signage. Thanks to Marlie who made up some temporary signs.
- MIPRC volunteers and the Conservancy Society will erect the info kiosk on Monday. All work should be complete around March 15.
- Discussion with Dave Howe about the proposed 5 year plan and budget (with CRD support) to install the deer fence. Peter will get concrete numbers from contractors and timing to start the process. The Mayne Island Conservancy has committed to help fundraise; Peter will meet with them. Dave Howe explained that, at this time, other Vancouver Island communities have made requests and complained about their deer problems also; Dave will present our issue to CRD.
- Minor damage to the Doreen McLeod Trail when an alder tree fell. 4-5 boards broken.
- Henderson Beach Access staircase was wiped out in the last storms. Peter explained that the land/rocks have shifted; Bill and Peter have installed an eyebolt for rope access. It was decided that new signage is required advising hikers that if they go down to the beach, they must return via the same route.

e) Miners Bay

- Peter asked Bill Duggan if he'd accept the role to oversee Miner's Bay Park. He suggested that Bill talk with Alan Guy before making his decision in order to get a sense for what is required.
- It was decided that MIPRC would purchase a gift certificate for Ted Burden as a thank you for all his work with the Christmas lights.
- Christmas lights will be taken down February 11.
- The new bench is in place on the patio.

(Motion) Moved by Liz, seconded by Doug, to adjourn the meeting at 4:35 pm. Motion carried.

**NEXT MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2012
3:30 p.m. at LIBRARY**