

M.I.P.R.C. Minutes – February 8, 2012

The February meeting of the MIPRC was held at the Library on Wednesday, February 8, 2012.
The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

Present: Peter Askin (Chair) Doug Johnston Bill Duggan
Anny Scoones Jerry Wise Kathie Warning
Absent: Liz Howard Jerry Betker

1. **Approval of Agenda: (Motion)** Moved by Anny, seconded by Jerry that the Agenda be adopted. Motion carried.
2. **Approval of January Minutes:** Moved by Jerry, seconded by Kathie that January Minutes be approved. Two errors noted: date of Minutes should be 2012 (not 2011); and Henderson Park Reports – last item: Bill and Peter 'will' install bolt. Motion carried.
3. **Correspondence (In-coming) –**
 - a) E-mail received from Tina Farmilo, thanking MIPRC for the grant to MOSAIC project with an explanation of the year's budget and what they have planned this year.
 - b) Thank you letter received from Pender Island Otters Swim Club (Helen Lemen-Moore, President), for MIPRC grant.
4. **Correspondence (Out-going) –** None.
5. **Old Business –**
 - a) **Advertisement in Mayneliner for Commissioner/Secretary** – Mayneliner February ad has gone out; discussion that each Commissioner ask around to see if there's someone who might like to take on the role. Further discussion at March meeting.
 - b) **Parks Brochure (Hiking/Trail Map)** – Peter has met with Alea and addressed changes to be made for a new look: format & colour changes, plus addition new park and info on Japanese Garden's 10 year anniversary. Jim Traversy (Alea) will take some photos for a new cover shot of the Library's new garden and rock area.
 - c) **Custodial Contract** – MIPRC looking into the custodial contract for parks.
 - d) **Special Event Planners and Organizers** – Discussion about the urgency to bring new people in to help work at and organize the special events that MIPRC are involved with: Easter Egg Hunt and Volunteer Dinner, as well as Canada Day, Terry Fox Run.
 - e) **Chamber of Commerce** – Mayne Island Chamber of Commerce has confirmed that it will highlight the 10th Anniversary of the Japanese Garden in this year's brochure.
6. **New Business –** None
7. **Treasurer's Report** -- Jerry presented the 'Financial Summary for 2011' (attached), explaining that there is some money left that will go into the Capital Fund. He also reported on January and February budgets and expenses (attached). **(Moved)** moved by Jerry that the 2011 Year End Report be accepted as prepared, seconded by Bill. Motion carried.
(Moved) Moved by Jerry that the January and February Budgets be accepted as prepared, seconded by Bill. Motion carried.
8. **Committee Reports:**
 - a) **Dinner Bay** – No report
 - b) **Village Bay** –
 - Doug pruned branches that were covering walkway
 - Stairs should be finished by the end of April.
 - Doug asked if there was a bench available for the park. Discussion about memorial benches and Anny suggested that a tree or plant is also a good memorial (Alaska Birch, Silver Birch, Trembling Aspen, Oregon Ash, Native Yew). Peter suggested other memorial items, eg. foot bridge at Miners Bay Park. Peter will mention these in the Mayneliner. Anny will prepare an article on native plants for the Mayneliner at a later date.

c) Japanese Garden – No Report

d) Henderson Park and Trail Network Development --

- New 'East Boundary Trail' signs should be arriving soon (Peter has contacted Bill Shields); thanks to Marlie who prepared some temporary laminated signs.
- Interpretive Nature Trail Kiosk has been built and installed; thanks to Rob Underhill who created the kiosk with his father. Rob and Peter have done a walk-about to identify areas to install the numbered posts (25) for the brochure and for signage. Trail should be wrapped up by next month. Rob will not be renewing his contract and is leaving at the end of April. He will be missed.
- Broom Day – February 15 – 2:00 p.m. Meet at parking lot at Henderson Park.

e) Miners Bay

- Lowering of the Christmas lights scheduled for Saturday at 11:00 p.m. Feb. 4. Ted Burden and Glen will be up the tree.
- Thanks to Doug McNeil who has taken the 'ride-on' tractor to Duncan for annual overhaul and it's now back.
- Bill Duggan spent two hours with Alan Guy as he shared his info about the park. Alan has prepared a comprehensive list of everything needed.

(Motion) Moved by Jerry, seconded by Doug, to adjourn the meeting at 4:38 pm. Motion carried.

**NEXT MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2012
3:30 p.m. at LIBRARY**