



MIPRC Minutes - June 20, 2012

The Commission's May meeting was scheduled for May 9, 2012 but a quorum was not present and therefore the meeting was cancelled.

The June meeting of the MIPRC was held at the Library on Wednesday, June 20, 2012 and was called to order at 7:05 pm.

Present: Peter Askin (Chair) Liz Howard Jerry Betker Jerry Wise Doug Johnson
Christie Meers
Absent: Anny Scoones Bill Duggan

1. **Approval of agenda: moved** by Liz, seconded by Doug that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried.
2. **Approval of April minutes: moved** by Jerry W, seconded by Liz that the April minutes be approved with one correction. Motion carried.
3. **Correspondence (in-coming):** there was no incoming correspondence.
4. **Correspondence (out-going):** email to Anny Scoones advising her that as she has missed more than 3 consecutive monthly Commission meetings she is subject to disqualification.
5. **Old business:** the 2012 Parks brochure has now been printed and is being distributed.
6. **New business:**
 - a) Disqualification of Commissioner - Anny Scoones has been advised by email that she has missed more than 3 consecutive monthly meetings is therefore subject to disqualification. **Moved** by Liz, seconded by Jerry B, that the CRD Board be requested to disqualify Anny as a Parks and Recreation Commissioner. Motion carried. In a subsequent email Anny described her new circumstances and said she totally understood the reasons for this action and wished the MIPRC all the best in its endeavours.
 - b) Henderson Park deer fence project - this is a large scale, multi-year capital project that was in the Commission's 2012 - 2016 capital budget. It will include the need to recruit stakeholders and partners and will mean that the Commission will have to curtail some other park improvements. In order to start the project moving forward it is necessary to move funds from a reserve account. **Moved** by Jerry W, seconded by Jerry B, that the sum of \$47,000 be transferred from the MIPRC's reserve fund to a project capital fund. Motion carried with one Commissioner opposed.
 - c) Canada Day Celebrations at Dinner Bay Park - every year the Commission is actively involved in the Canada Day Celebrations organized by the Mayne Island Lions Club. Among other things, the Commission distributes ice cream to the large crowd in attendance. We will again be undertaking this well-received activity.

d) Volunteers appreciation dinner - the annual volunteers' appreciation dinner has been scheduled for August 9 at the Dinner Bay Park Adachi Pavilion. Peter and Jerry B have offered to be the key organizers.

7. **Treasurer's report:** Jerry W presented his financial report up to June 20, 2012 as attached. **Moved** by Jerry W, seconded by Liz that the report be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

8. **Park reports:**

a) Dinner Bay Park report from Jerry B -

- the small hot water tank in the Pavillion kitchen has been moved to the custodian's room and a new, 40 gallon tank has been installed in the kitchen with the costs being covered by the Lions Club.
- an additional concrete bench has been installed in the Park with the cost being covered by a generous donation.
- a new UV Light water purification system has been installed to replace the old, non-functioning one. The cost is being covered by the Park budget.
- a new roof has been installed on the Lions Club storage building with the cost being covered by the Lions.
- the Lions Club will be re-staining the Pavilion and providing new wood chips for the children's play area.
- the putting green will finally be back in usable condition and open by July 1st.
- the Mayne Island Baseball Club is now providing volunteers to cut the playing field grass.
- 2 new line-cutters will be purchased from the Park budget.
- a decision was made that it is again time to reiterate the MIPRC's long-standing policy of not allowing horses or horse riding in any of the Parks.

b) Village Bay Park report from Doug - generally everything is in good condition but a scotch broom removal work party will have to be organized.

c) Japanese Garden report from Liz - the tent caterpillar infestation is wreaking havoc on all the trees and is reaching nightmarish proportions. The good news is that the wet weather has put enough moisture in the ground to allow the trees to recover.

d) Henderson Park / Trail Network combined report from Peter - nothing to report other than the start of the major deer fencing project.

e) Miners Bay Park report from Peter on behalf of Bill -

- the grass continues to be cut by a volunteer and looks superb.
- the split-rail cedar fence extension along Village Bay Road has been completed and is receiving rave reviews.

9. **Adjourn. Moved** by Doug, seconded by Jerry B, to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm. Motion carried.

Next meeting to be held at the Library on Wednesday, July 11 at 7:00 pm.