



MIPRC Minutes - January 14, 2015

The January meeting of the Mayne Island Parks & Recreation Commission was held at the Library on Wednesday, January 14 and was called to order at 3:20 pm.

Present: Jerry Wise (Chair / Secretary) Liz Howard Peter Askin
 Bill Duggan Veronica Euper (via telephone)

Absent: Jerry Betker Dennis Akey Al Cannon

1. **Adoption of agenda:** **moved** by Liz, seconded by Bill, that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried.

2. **Approval of December minutes:** as there were no errors or omissions it was **moved** by Peter, seconded by Bill, that the December minutes be approved. Motion carried.

3. **Correspondence (in-coming):**

- I. Email from the Gulf Islands Trails Society (Irene Barrett) re: providing information on a planned trail between Fernhill Road and Felix Jack Road running past the community gardens site.
- II. Letter from Alea Design & Print re: a new monthly charge of \$25 for community group articles. The letter went on to advise that the MIPRC would be exempt from this charge because of our sponsorship of the monthly Tide Table.

4. **Correspondence (out-going):** none

5. **Items arising from old business:** Jerry W reported on a meeting held by the Commonality Meeting planning committee. A draft agenda has been constructed setting a tentative date of May 6 with Rob Underhill as a possible keynote speaker. Rob is a biologist working with the Mayne Island Conservancy and one of his topics might be the success of the stewardship agreement between the MICS and the MIPRC relative to Henderson Park and its ongoing implementation.

6. **New Business:**

- I. Liz has volunteered to take on the oversight of our Easter Kid's Day celebrations in Dinner Bay Park on April 5.
- II. Peter once again volunteered to take on the responsibility for developing our Hiking & Walking brochure for 2015. **Moved** by Liz, seconded by Bill, that a new 2015 Hiking & Walking Trail Map brochure be developed and printed with a maximum budget of \$2,000. Motion carried.

7. **Treasurer's Report:**

- I. Jerry W presented two reports - one for the period December 11 to December 31, 2014 and one for the period January 1 to January 14, 2015. He mentioned that the only large expenditures were the cost of a new supply of lights for the Community Christmas Tree and getting the invoices from our water system manager caught up-to-date. **Moved** by Peter, seconded by Liz, that the Treasurer's reports be accepted as presented. Motion Carried.

- II. Jerry explained how the reduced property assessments are impacting our operating funds budget by creating a considerable shortfall between the 2015 budget filed in 2012 and the amount of our expected 2015 tax requisition. **Moved** by Peter, seconded by Bill, that the difference of approximately \$16,500 between our previously filed 2015 net operating budget of \$75,600 and the expected 2015 tax requisition of \$59,100 should be covered by our surplus operating funds for fiscal 2014 which is a similar amount. Motion carried.
- III. A discussion was held concerning a major trail improvement project for fiscal 2015. **Moved** by Bill, seconded by Liz, that the Capital Fund project to be undertaken for fiscal 2015 should be a new stairway structure on the Chu-an Trail with an estimated cost of \$35,000. Motion carried.

8. Park Reports:

- I. Dinner Bay Park - no report.
- II. Japanese Garden report from Liz - the Christmas lights have been taken down after a very successful two weeks of viewing by residents and visitors. Over 800 people visited the Garden to see the light displays and donations were extremely generous.
- III. Miner's Bay Park report from Bill - the Christmas lights are now down from the Library building. There is a situation involving one window and two doors. The space between the two panes of glass is no longer sealed and they are fogging up so these will be replaced. A plan will be developed in conjunction with the Garden Club to install a hand rail beside the stairway between the front walk and the entrance to the basement.
- IV. Henderson Park / Trails Network report from Peter - a series of blow-downs on the Doreen McLeod trail have been removed and a post has been installed for a new "No Smoking" sign when it is received from the CRD. Planning is taking place on the location and size of concrete pads to house our new bike racks.
- V. Village Bay Park - no report.

9. **Adjourn:** **moved** by Liz, seconded by Veronica, to adjourn the meeting at 4:07 pm. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be held at 3:15 pm on Wednesday, February 11 at the Library.



TREASURER'S REPORT JANUARY 1 TO JANUARY 14, 2015

(A) OP. FUNDS - Maint., Impr. & Equip.

Expenses	Opening Budget 2015	Total	Expenses	Remaining Budget 2015
		Deposits & Increased Requisitions	& Alloc. Jan 1 to Jan 14	
Dinner Bay	17,100	0	0	17,100
Miner's Bay	14,400	0	0	14,400
Village Bay	4,500	4,500	0	9,000
Henderson	9,900	0	0	9,900
Trails Network	12,550	0	0	12,550
Equipment	2,200	0	0	2,200
CRD Charges	9,000	0	0	9,000
All Other Expenses	9,800	1,200	53	10,947
Totals	79,450	5,700	53	85,097
Bank Balance				
Japanese Garden	7,210	2,064	413	8,861
Opening Budget				
(B) RECREATION FUNDS	26,640	4,740	0	31,380
(C) UNALLOC. CAPITAL RESERVE	43,323	0	0	8,323
Projects:				
Chu-an Trail Stairway			35,000	
(D) EQUIP. REPLACEMENT RESERVE	16,320	0	0	16,320