



## MIPRC Minutes - May 13, 2015

The May meeting of the Mayne Island Parks & Recreation Commission was held at the Library on Wednesday, May 13 and was called to order at 3:17 pm.

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

Absent: Jerry Betker      Dennis Akey

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

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

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

- I. Email re: Fernhill Road entrance to Miners Bay Park.
- II. Emailed report from the Mayne Island Pathways and Trails Association.
- III. Letter of thanks from the Active Pass Nature & Arts Festival.
- IV. Donation for the Japanese Garden pond restoration effort.

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

5. **Items arising from old business:**

- I. Jerry W reported on the Commonality Meeting held May 6. There was a turnout of 30 people who all enjoyed good discussions and exchanges of ideas, listened to an interesting presentation by Rob Underhill on the Conservancy's work on various areas of the Island and everyone enjoyed good food. All in all it was a successful meeting.
- II. Jerry W also read a report from the organizers of the Disc Golf tournament held May 2 at the new Disc Golf course in Dinner Bay Park. There was a great turnout of people from both Mayne Island and other locations. The event was effectively sold out, the sun was shining, the Lions Club sold hamburgers and there were cash prizes for an assortment of components of the Tournament. It was judged to be very successful.

6. **New Business:**

- I. It has come to our attention that the Mayne Island Conservancy's budget for fiscal 2015 is coming up short and a discussion was held on various ways this might be alleviated.
- II. An email was received from a resident suggesting that the entrance to Miners Bay Park at the corner of Village Bay Road and Fernhill Road, the one closest to the Trading Post, should be enhanced to dissuade people from parking in front of it. It was decided that as a first step we will approach the MoT to possibly install signs to create a "no parking" zone in this area. As a back-up, we may be able to persuade the Garden Club to, at some point, jump in and create a structure to accent the entrance as they did in front of the Library.
- III. An interim report from the Mayne Island Pathways and Trails Association was tabled.
- IV. Jerry W advised the meeting that the Mayne Island Volunteer Firefighter's Association had applied to use the Adachi Pavilion in Dinner Bay Park as a venue for their annual Mother's Day breakfast. This was necessitated by the on-going construction at the usual location at the Fire Hall. The application was warmly approved.

**7. Treasurer's Report:**

- I. Jerry W presented his report covering the period April 9 to May 13. He advised that it was another quiet period with the only major expense being the purchase of a diffuser for the Japanese Garden. **Moved** by Peter, seconded by Liz, that the Treasurer's report be accepted as presented. Motion Carried.
- II. He also advised that an advertisement will be placed in the June edition of the MayneLiner advising Island groups that applications for recreation funding must be received by July 17.
- III. Finally, he distributed an updated list of assets held by the MIPRC which shows an increase in the total to \$1.3 million.

**8. Park Reports:**

- I. Dinner Bay Park report - no report but the grass has been cut and the Park looks great.
- II. Japanese Garden report from Liz - there is a dead Maple tree that needs removing. The new diffuser has been installed and is bubbling away in the pond providing oxygen to the water. The volunteers are also considering a new tool that apparently can sink to the bottom and cut off any weeds. However, this will do nothing to solve the problem of the silt accumulation. As a last resort, it will be necessary to drain the pond and use heavy equipment to dig out the silt after it dries. This will be expensive.
- III. Miner's Bay Park report from Bill - the Christmas lights have finally been removed from the community tree. The new window panes and glass door panels have been installed to replace those where the seal had failed. A new outside tap has been installed. The recently purchased bush blade for use on "weed eater" type trimmers has done a great job in cutting back brambles and blackberry vines around the Park.
- IV. Henderson Park / Trails Network report from Peter and Bill - work has started on our major project for the year being a new stairway on the Viewpoint Trail in Chu-an Park after acceptance of the tender from Bill McCance & Son Contractors. With the unfortunate passing of Don Slinn a decision has been made to name this Park's viewpoint the Don Slinn Viewpoint. The Kadonaga Bay trail was one of the excursions enjoyed by participants at the Commonality Meeting and it was looking great. Some additional feet of boardwalk have been installed. The Doreen McLeod trail also needs another section of boardwalk and this will be looked after shortly. Three of the new bike racks have now been installed and the remaining one, destined for Dinner Bay Park near the entrance to the Japanese Garden, will be set up while work is proceeding on the expanded parking area. Strategic locations have been found for two additional "no smoking" signs and new pictures are being taken for use in the 2015 version of our Hiking and Walking brochure. The stairway at the Kippen Road beach access has been lowered for the summer.
- V. Village Bay Park report from Al - the grass was mowed recently thanks to an unknown volunteer. This was very much appreciated. The seaweed removal group will be presenting a budget and schedule of required funding draws in the next month or so.

**9. Adjourn:** **moved** by Al, seconded by Liz, to adjourn the meeting at 4:05 pm. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be held at 3:15 pm on Wednesday, June 10 at the Library.



TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF MAY 13, 2015

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

Expenses	Opening Budget 2015	Total Deposits & Increased Requisition	Expenses & Alloc. Jan 1 to Jan 14	Expenses Jan 15 to Feb 11	Expenses & Transfers Feb 12 to Mar 11	Expenses Mar 12 to Apr 8	Expenses Apr 9 to May 13	Remaining Budget 2015
Dinner Bay	14,100	0	0	525	592	1,171	1,002	10,810
Miner's Bay	13,400	0	0	1,124	1,418	839	1,702	8,317
Village Bay	4,500	4,500	0	202	150	150	388	8,110
Henderson	9,900	0	0	205	152	152	223	9,168
Trails Network	11,550	0	0	0	210	0	130	11,210
Equipment	2,200	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,200
CRD Charges	9,000	0	0	215	1,061	477	85	7,162
All Other Expenses	9,800	1,200	53	1,362	984	906	1,238	6,457
<b>Totals</b>	<b>74,450</b>	<b>5,700</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>3,633</b>	<b>4,567</b>	<b>3,695</b>	<b>4,768</b>	<b>63,434</b>
	<b>Bank Balance</b>							
Japanese Garden	7,210	2,996	413	305	255	856	2,084	6,293
	<b>Opening Budget</b>							
<b>(B) RECREATION FUNDS</b>	26,640	4,740	0	0	0	565	2,088	28,727
<b>(C) UNALLOC. CAPITAL RESERVE</b>	43,323	50,000	0	0	0	0	0	58,323
<b>Projects:</b>								
Chu-an Trail stairway project no. CX.069.2008.66		0	35,000	0	0	0	0	35,000
<b>(D) EQUIP. REPLACEMENT RESERVE</b>	16,320	850	0		4,500	0	0	12,670