



## MIPRC Minutes - June 10, 2015

The June meeting of the Mayne Island Parks & Recreation Commission was held at the Library on Wednesday, June 10 and was called to order at 3:15 pm.

Present: Jerry Wise (Chair / Secretary) Liz Howard Peter Askin Bill Duggan  
Al Cannon Veronica Euper Jerry Betker Dennis Akey

Absent: None

1. **Adoption of agenda:** moved by Al, seconded by Liz, that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried.
2. **Approval of May minutes:** as there were no errors or omissions it was moved by Peter, seconded by Bill, that the May minutes be approved. Motion carried.
3. **Correspondence (in-coming):**
  - I. Letter from the Mayne Island Improvement District with thanks for the donation of the old Library bike racks.
  - II. Email from the MoT re: entrance to Miners Bay Park.
  - III. Email from Annette Witteman re: "Turning the Tide" inter-Island paddle.
4. **Correspondence (out-going):** None
5. **Items arising from old business:**
  - I. Jerry W reported on the response from the MoT regarding the situation of vehicles blocking the Fernhill Road entrance to Miners Bay Park. They will make a site visit, assess the situation from a danger point-of-view and take appropriate action.
6. **New Business:**
  - I. **Moved** by Peter, seconded by Bill, that the meeting go in-camera to discuss a confidential situation. Motion carried. The in-camera meeting then returned to the regular format by way of motion.
  - II. After discussion, it was **moved** by Liz, seconded by Al, that the MIPRC donate the cost of event insurance being \$75 to the local organizers of the inter-Island Turning the Tide paddle so that a pot-luck supper and musical happening can take place in Miners Bay Park. Motion carried.
  - III. Liz advised that the usual Canada Day festivities conducted by the Lions Club in Dinner Bay Park will not be taking place this year. Instead, the Mayne Island Legion will be holding a flag raising ceremony in Miners Bay Park on July 1<sup>st</sup> and the Lions will be serving food. **Moved** by Peter, seconded by Dennis, that if necessary, the MIPRC will donate the cost of event insurance being \$75 to the Legion. Motion carried. The ceremony will start at 11:00 am, and even though the location has changed, the MIPRC will still be providing ice cream for attendees. Veronica and Bill have volunteered to scoop along with past Commissioner Kathie Warning.
  - IV. Peter advised that our approximately 8 km-long network of trails and beach accesses is becoming overgrown and difficult for people to use because of a rising shortage of volunteer trail guardians who provide maintenance. The system is breaking down and the trails will have to be closed if no solution is found. **Moved** by Peter, seconded by Veronica, that a committee be established to determine the feasibility of hiring a contractor to carry out maintenance on specified Park trails and beach accesses with the committee reporting back as soon as possible but no later than our October 14 meeting. Motion carried. Peter, Jerry W, Bill and Jerry B volunteered to be members of the committee with Peter acting as Chair.

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**7. Treasurer's Report:**

- I. Jerry W presented his report covering the period May 14 to June 10. He advised that it was a typical period with the only major expenses being the charge-up of CRD staff costs. **Moved** by Liz, seconded by Jerry B, that the Treasurer's report be accepted as presented. Motion Carried.
- II. Jerry W also put forward the draft budget received from the Village Bay Improvement Association covering their seaweed removal activities for the summer months. Al mentioned that the Association's usual employee cannot be here this year and so the search is on for a replacement. It was suggested that the job be advertised on all electronic social media pages that are pertinent to Mayne Island.

**8. Park Reports:**

- I. Dinner Bay Park report from Jerry B - the excavation for the Lions Club storage shed extension has been completed and also the parking area has been doubled in size. All the piles of soil and shale have been distributed in various areas of the Park thanks to Matt Taylor. The new donation box for the putting green has been manufactured but not yet installed. Some sort of automobile mishap saw a trailer hitch pushed through the wall of the Lions storage shed. No serious damage was done and some replacement siding has been sourced. It has been suggested to the Lions club that they consider construction of a Bandstand and / or an outdoor chess board. The new bike rack has been installed and three additional "no smoking" signs will soon be put up.
- II. Japanese Garden report from Liz - everything is in good shape and the beauty of the Garden continues to receive kudos. The volunteers now have the "weed razor" tool in hand and it is working very well in cutting and removing weeds from the pond. The pond oxygenator is performing as advertised. The volunteers are considering building a Float for the Fall Fair parade.
- III. Miner's Bay Park report from Bill - the grass is now dormant and probably will not need any further cutting until Fall. The hand railing for the stairway from the Library front door to the basement ramp is still in the "coming" category.
- IV. Henderson Park / Trails Network report from Peter and Bill - the major project for the year being a new stairway on the Chu-an Park viewpoint trail has been completed by contractor Bill McCance within his estimate and his work has been judged as being "fantastic". Thirty-two feet of new boardwalk has been constructed on the Kadonaga Bay beach access trail and a bench has been installed at the beach. This trail is now complete. Also, eight feet of new boardwalk has been built on the Doreen McLeod trail. One disappointing note is the fact that the picnic table in Henderson Park was stolen but a replacement has been found. The 2015 version of the Hiking & Walking brochure is behind schedule but the good news is that the draft is now complete. It was suggested that the brochure mention the new disc golf course at Dinner Bay Park.
- V. Village Bay Park report from Al - everything is in good shape and the grass will probably need one more mowing.

9. **Adjourn:** moved by Jerry B, seconded by Bill, to adjourn the meeting at 4:40 pm. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be held at 3:15 pm on Wednesday, July 8 at the Library.



TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF JUNE 10, 2015

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

Expenses	Opening Budget 2015	Total Deposits & Increased Requisition	1st Quarter Expenses, Transfers & Alloc.	Expenses Apr 9 to May 13	Expenses May 14 to Jun 10	Remaining Budget 2015
Dinner Bay	14,100	0	2,288	1,002	839	9,971
Miner's Bay	13,400	0	3,381	1,702	1,111	7,206
Village Bay	4,500	4,500	502	388	150	7,960
Henderson	9,900	0	509	223	152	9,016
Trails Network	11,550	0	210	130	0	11,210
Equipment	2,200	0	0	0	0	2,200
CRD Charges	9,000	0	1,753	85	2,385	4,777
All Other Expenses	10,290	1,325	3,305	1,238	1,484	5,588
<b>Totals</b>	<b>74,940</b>	<b>5,825</b>	<b>11,948</b>	<b>4,768</b>	<b>6,121</b>	<b>57,928</b>
<b>Bank Balance</b>						
Japanese Garden	7,210	3,493	1,829	2,084	607	6,183
<b>Opening Budget</b>						
<b>(B) RECREATION FUNDS</b>	26,640	4,870	565	2,088	1,182	27,675
<b>(C) UNALLOC. CAPITAL RESERVE</b>	43,323	50,000		0	0	58,323
<b>Projects:</b>						
Chu-an Trail stairway project no. CX.069.2008.66		0	35,000	0	0	35,000
<b>(D) EQUIP. REPLACEMENT RESERVE</b>	16,320	850	4,500	0	0	12,670