



MIPRC Minutes - March 9, 2016

The March meeting of the Mayne Island Parks & Recreation Commission was held at the Library on Wednesday, March 9, 2016 and was called to order at 3:20 pm.

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

Absent: Liz Howard

1. **Adoption of agenda:** **moved** by Peter, seconded by Jerry B, that the agenda be adopted. Motion carried.
2. **Approval of February minutes:** as there were no errors or omissions it was **moved** by Al, seconded by Dennis, that the February minutes be approved. Motion carried.
3. **Correspondence (in-coming):**
 - I. Phone conversation with Library Society re: small change to our meeting time
 - II. Letter from Chamber of Commerce with proposal for an information kiosk
 - III. Email re: fallen "Maple" tree in Dinner Bay Park
 - IV. Email from the Garden Club re: a Parks Commissioner speaking at their meeting
 - V. Email from Pender Island Parks re: Commonality meeting date
 - VI. Phone conversation re: Kippen Road beach access being slippery
4. **Correspondence (out-going):** None
5. **Items arising from old business:**
 - I. Liz had earlier advised Jerry W that everything is now set for the annual Easter kid's day celebrations to be held March 27.
 - II. Veronica advised that she has now received delivery of the volunteer's T-shirt order and they will be stored in the Library basement until needed.
6. **New Business:**
 - I. Jerry W has received a couple of telephone calls about congestion being caused in the Library on the day of our meeting due to the school children now spending Wednesday afternoons there and being picked up by parents between 3:00 and 3:05 pm. **Moved** by Peter, seconded by Al, that we change our meeting start time to 3:20 pm to allow the children time to vacate the Library building. Motion carried.
 - II. A discussion took place concerning a proposal received from the Chamber of Commerce to construct an information kiosk in Miners Bay Park which was previously approved in principal. The location of the kiosk in this proposal has been moved and the dimensions of the structure were not noted. It was decided that Jerry W will write to the Chamber advising that the new location cannot be approved and the kiosk should be built at the corner of Village Bay and Naylor Roads as previously discussed. Also, we will need to know and approve the exact dimensions and receive confirmation that the Chamber is putting appropriate insurance in place.
 - III. An email was received from the Garden Club inviting a Parks Commissioner to their next meeting to hopefully provide input for a resource guide they are developing to cover local gardening and volunteer opportunities. Both Peter and Dennis volunteered to attend.
 - IV. An email was received from Pender Island Parks suggesting three possible dates for the next commonality meeting. It was decided that April 29 would work best.

7. **Treasurer's Report:** Jerry W presented his report covering the period February 11 to March 9, 2016. He reminded everyone that at the beginning of the year he thought we might be able to carry forward our 2015 operating funds surplus into our 2016 operating funds budget. Unfortunately this is not possible and so the amount of \$10,582 has been removed from operating funds and added to our capital reserve. He also advised of a surprise in that the winter hydro bill for the Cotton house is coming in very high at approximately \$350 per month for December and January. Apart from these items it was a straight forward month. It was **moved** by Peter, seconded by Bill, that the Treasurer's report be accepted as presented. Motion Carried.

8. **Park Reports:**

- I. Dinner Bay Park from Jerry B - the area where the extension to the disc golf course will be built is still too wet for any construction. He suggested that it would be productive to purchase a small trailer that could be towed behind a garden tractor to cut down on the necessity to use wheel barrows all the time. Everyone agreed and so one will be purchased. An additional load of gravel will be ordered to re-surface the roadway to the parking area. Veronica asked about re-foresting the area of the new disc golf holes. That is in the plan for when everything is completed and the new trees - probably fir trees from Jerry B's back yard - can be strategically placed to enhance the disc golf experience. An email was received from Rob Underhill asking if May 7 would be a good date to repeat the disc golf tournament that was such a success last year. The date works for everyone so the tournament will be planned and perhaps the Adachi Pavilion kitchen can be opened for those who want to cook. Another email was received suggesting various uses for a giant "Maple" tree that was blown down during one of the winter storms along with an offer of a donated tree to replace it. It turns out that the tree was not Maple but a Willow that unfortunately is not good for furniture making or other uses.
- II. Japanese Garden - no report.
- III. Miner's Bay Park report from Bill - nothing to report other than the Library gutters need cleaning and that will be scheduled.
- IV. Henderson Park / Trails Network report from Peter - reports have been received that the Vulture Ridge trail is generally in good shape. The new loop trail in Cotton Park has been started but will not be completed by the date of the open house on March 19. Al advised that the new carved sign for the Vulture Ridge trail is coming along and he is starting work on the actual "Vulture". Jerry W advised that he had received a call from a resident who lives beside the Kippen Road beach access who reported that the trail is slippery and needs some gravel put down. He has offered to pay half the cost. Before the offer is accepted Peter and Jerry W will inspect the area to ascertain the exact needs.
- V. Village Bay Park report from Al - the VBID has located a possible employee to clean seaweed from the beach during the summer. There are two Garry Oaks located between the beach and Al's residence that require pruning and this is ok with everyone. Jerry W reported that a dead tree has come down hitting one corner of the Pit Toilet roof resulting in a cracked rafter. Al will have a look at the damage and hopefully be able to make repairs.
- VI. Cotton Park report from Dennis - there are indications of a lot of interest in the new park and residence and development ideas are starting to be received. A few people have been taken on private tours as they will not be here on the day of the open house. The water has been turned on with the help of Bill Warning and an estimate of the cost for the driveway resurfacing and possible parking area development has been received. The Fire Department has agreed to loan us traffic safety vests and cones for the open house day and the bus will be available as will a smaller van to ferry visitors. A group from the SGI Arts Council has put together a proposal for how the residence might be used for art exhibits and other events. It was decided that the development committee should meet once more before the open house and this was set for 10:00 am on Saturday, March 12 at the Cotton residence. It was also decided to put up some posters around the Island advertising the open house

9. **Adjourn:** **moved** by Peter, seconded by Al, to adjourn the meeting at 4:22 pm. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be held at 3:20 pm on Wednesday, April 13 at the Library.



TREASURER'S REPORT FEBRUARY 11 TO MARCH 9, 2016

(A) OPERATING FUNDS

Expenses	Opening Budget 2016	Total Deposits	Expenses Jan 1 to Jan 13	Expenses Jan 14 to Feb 10	Expenses and Transfers Feb 11 to Mar 9	Remaining Budget
Dinner Bay	10,500	0	139	657	716	8,988
Miner's Bay	10,000	0	0	714	473	8,813
Cotton	15,000	0	109	585	858	13,448
Village Bay	5,000	0	0	151	150	4,699
Henderson	8,000	0	150	152	152	7,546
Trails Network	7,000	0	0	0	0	7,000
CRD Charges	12,450	0	490	0	1,750	10,210
All Other Expenses	12,000	1,736	398	913	963	11,462
Totals	79,950	1,736	1,286	3,172	5,062	72,166

(B) DONATIONS

	Opening Balance					
Japanese Garden	5,404	2,012	745	0	229	6,442
Putting Green	382	0	0	0	0	382
	Opening Budget					

(C) RECREATION FUNDS

	31,900	0	0	0	0	31,900
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(D) CAPITAL RESERVE

	104,878	10,582	0	0	0	115,460
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(E) EQUIP. REPLACEMENT RESERVE

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