



MIPRC Minutes - July 13, 2016

The July meeting of the Mayne Island Parks & Recreation Commission was held at the Library on Wednesday, July 13, 2016 and was called to order at 3:20 pm.

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

Absent: Veronica Euper Liz Howard

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

2. **Approval of June minutes:** as there were no errors or omissions it was moved by Jerry B, seconded by Dennis, that the June minutes be approved. Motion carried.

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

- I. An email was received from CRD staff concerning satellite mapping of the trails in Cotton Park.
- II. An email was received from the Conservancy concerning possible changes to the Don Herbert Trail.
- III. An email was received from a resident asking about the absence of a "no smoking" sign at the Edith Point beach access trail.

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

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

- I. Jerry W provided an update concerning the Campbell Bay Music Festival held on June 24 and 25. The bottom line is that the Library water system held up and there were no catastrophic equipment failures in the public washrooms. However, the size of the crowd was at record levels and the organizers of the event will have to follow through on promises to provide more services at the actual Festival site.
- II. Jerry W advised the meeting that preparations for the annual volunteer's appreciation BBQ to be held August 18 are proceeding as planned.

6. **New Business:** We seem to have an inordinate number of small size T-shirts in our inventory allocated to volunteers. Veronica has offered to do an assessment and order additional large sizes if necessary.

7. **Treasurer's Report:**

- I. Jerry W presented his report covering the period June 9 to July 13, 2016. There was one large expenditure being a cheque to Bill McCance & Son for construction of a fence and stairway at Cotton Park. Additionally a charge was put through by the CRD to pay for insurance on our assets. It was moved by Peter, seconded by Al, that the Treasurer's report be accepted as presented. Motion Carried. Jerry also advised that he had been invited to the recent year-end ceremony at the school where he presented the Dave Bentham award including an honorarium of \$200.

8. **Park Reports:**

- I. Dinner Bay Park report from Jerry B - Cal Biem has finished re-staining the Pavilion and it looks fantastic. Two new volunteers have come on board offering to paint the washroom doors and look after the flower bed in front of the washroom building. Construction of the new concrete stage has been postponed until next year. The putting green and disc golf course continue to be well used and the donation box is showing good results.

- II. Japanese Garden - no report but Jerry B voiced some concern about the rock wall surrounding the pond as it is starting to deteriorate.
- III. Miner's Bay Park report from Bill - the garden tractor is in for repairs again and Don De Rousie has unfortunately had to step down from looking after cutting the grass. In order to maintain the Park it was **moved** by Bill, seconded by Al, to accept a quote from Bill Warning to do the work on a limited basis and for a 6-month period of time. Motion carried. We will continue to seek out new volunteers.
- IV. Henderson Park / Trails Network report from Peter - CRD Parks staff have agreed to visit the Island in August to assist with mapping the new trails in Cotton Park. A plan to decommission the Don Herbert Trail, as it has now become redundant with the completion of the Vulture Ridge Stairway, was shelved as this would necessitate an expensive change to a lot of the Conservancy's interpretive literature and signage. A suggestion from a concerned Islander that we put a "no smoking" sign at the Edith Point Beach Access Trail will be answered with information that this is a MoTI property and therefore we are not able to install such a sign. The eaglet that fell out of its nest in Cotton Park has been successfully transferred to a wildlife rehab centre but as this park is a rare and very sensitive ecological acreage it was **moved** by Peter, seconded by Bill, that dogs be prohibited from Cotton Park. Motion carried. The new signage conveying this prohibition will replace at least 3 existing signs which is good as we are trying to cut down the signage total. Speaking of signs, the Whale Trail signs we have up have been proven accurate as Orcas have been spotted in Active Pass just offshore from Cotton Park. The East Boundary Trail in Henderson Park has been groomed and is in good shape. The Vulture Ridge Trail has been raked to remove the annual deposit of arbutus leaves and is in good shape.
- V. Village Bay Park from Al - the beach seaweed clean-up is well underway. There are some areas of a stone walkway that will need additional topsoil which will be ordered.
- VI. Cotton Park report from Dennis - the upgrading and resurfacing work on the driveway as well as creating a space to the side of the driveway to park up to 10 cars is well underway. Very few trees have been disturbed and the few that were cut have been used to create curbing around the parking area. It was discovered that the water line from the well runs under the new parking area but fortunately it was not disturbed. Space for the new vault toilet can probably be created close to the parking area where some deep soil has been discovered. There has been very positive feedback received about the trails that are being constructed. A BC Hydro tech will be on the Island next week to check out the height of Hydro lines in the area of where we want to build the new entrance gate. Hopefully we will get the go-ahead after this visit. At the last Development Committee meeting a lengthy discussion took place concerning the future of the residence in the Park given the huge expense that would be incurred in bringing it up to current commercial building code standards. **Moved** by Dennis, seconded by Peter, that serious consideration should be given to demolishing the structure subject to getting accurate information on the costs involved. Motion carried. Most of this information should be available by the middle of August after a visit by the CRD Building Department Manager who will be able to give us an educated estimate. An Island resident, who has already committed to donate the cost of a granite bench to be installed by the flagpole, has also offered to cover the cost of moving the new split cedar rail fence to the water side of the pole subject to the cost being reasonable. If not, she will also donate the wood needed to complete the moving of the fence. **Moved** by Bill, seconded by Al, that we move the fence and contact Bill McCance & Son, contractors, to provide an estimate.

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

The next meeting will be held at 4:30 pm on Wednesday, August 17 at Church House. This will be a 2-part meeting in that we will first consider the applications received for recreational funding and, after a dinner break, we will then convene our regular monthly meeting.



TREASURER'S REPORT JUNE 9 TO JULY 13, 2016

(A) OPERATING FUNDS

Expenses	Opening Budget 2016	Total Deposits	1st Quarter Transfers and Expenses	Expenses and Transfers Apr 14 to May 11	Expenses and Transfers May 12 to Jun 8	Expenses Jun 9 to Jul 13	Remaining Budget
Dinner Bay	12,000	0	3,102	1,038	1,884	1,786	4,190
Miner's Bay	10,000	0	1,869	473	982	495	6,181
Cotton	12,000	0	2,113	487	81	34	9,285
Village Bay	5,000	0	451	150	150	1,058	3,191
Henderson	8,000	0	606	152	152	152	6,938
Trails Network	7,000	0	223	63	284	232	6,198
CRD Charges	12,450	0	3,198	230	1,250	1,871	5,901
All Other Expenses	13,500	3,061	4,138	1,233	2,137	1,426	7,627
Totals	79,950	3,061	15,700	3,826	6,920	7,054	49,511
(B) DONATIONS							
	Opening Balance						
Japanese Garden	5,404	3,712	1,714	771	656	254	5,721
Putting Green	382	140	0	0	0	0	522
	Opening Budget						
(C) RECREATION FUNDS	31,900	0	368	1,409	0	277	29,846
(D) CAPITAL RESERVE (UNALLOCATED)	104,878	10,582	0	10,000	12,000	0	93,460
Projects:							
Cotton: Driveway, Parking CX109.2001.66		10,000	0	0	0	0	10,000
Cotton: Toilet, Stairway, Fence CX109.2002.66		12,000	0	0	0	6,589	5,411
(E) EQUIP. REPLACEMENT RESERVE	17,170	0	0	0	0	0	17,170