



Capital Regional District

625 Fisgard St.,
Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

Meeting Minutes Regional Parks Committee

Wednesday, March 4, 2015

11:30 AM

6th Floor Boardroom

Present: Directors:

*S. Brice (Chair), S. Price (Vice Chair), M. Hicks, B. Isitt, R. Kasper (for M. Tait),
D. Screech, L. Seaton, K. Williams*

Also Present: J. Ranns

Present: Staff:

*L. Hutcheson, General Manager, Parks and Environmental Services; M. Walton, Senior
Manager, Regional Parks; J. Ward, Mgr. Planning, Regional Parks; S. Santarossa,
Corporate Officer; P. Perna, Committee Clerk (recorder)*

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 am.

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Director Price, seconded by Director Williams,
That the March 4, 2015 Regional Parks Agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. Adoption of Minutes

Adoption of the Minutes of the January 21, 2015 Regional Parks
Committee

Moved by Director Seaton, seconded by Director Williams,
That the January 21, 2015 Regional Parks Committee minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Chair's Remarks

*Chair Brice noted that committee members have been provided a letter from Mr. Ed
Cooper and that staff will be following up with him.*

4. Presentations/Delegations

There were no presentations or delegations.

Committee Business

5. Thetis Lake Pistol Range Remediation Work in 2014

L. Hutcheson provided an overview of the report.

Moved by Director Price, seconded by Director Williams,
That the Regional Parks Committee receive this report for information.

CARRIED

6. Stairs to the Foreshore and Beach from Witty Beach Road at Witty's Lagoon Regional Park

L. Hutcheson provided an overview of the report.

Director J. Ranns was in attendance to provide any additional information regarding this matter.

Discussion ensued relative to potential risk associated with not removing the stairs and ensuring efficient access to the beach.

Moved by Director Hicks, seconded by Director Seaton,

That it be recommended to the Capital Regional District Board:

- (a) That the stairs that provide access to the foreshore adjacent to Witty's Lagoon Regional Park be removed and not be replaced for a budgeted amount of \$10,000;
- (b) That staff be directed to improve trails to the beach at Witty's Lagoon Regional Park utilizing existing accesses, and return with an implementation plan including cost estimates; and
- (c) That staff be directed to explore additional options for providing safe public access to the beach at Witty's Lagoon Regional Park.

CARRIED
Isitt Opposed

Director Ranns left the meeting at 11:45 am.

7. District of Central Saanich Motion Regarding the Island View Beach Regional Park Four-Step Public Participation Process

L. Hutcheson provided an overview of report.

Staff was requested to provide copies of the emails and email responses to the committee members.

Moved by Director Price, seconded by Director Hicks,

That the District of Central Saanich Motion Regarding the Island View Beach Regional Park Four-Step Public Participation Process be received for information.

CARRIED

8. Information Items:

(a) General Manager's Report

L. Hutcheson gave an overview of the report.

M. Walton noted that an additional \$80,000, to be funded from the capital reserve, is required to complete the Colquitz Creek Dam Replacement Project due to the discovery of very old piping in the lake. Staff will be coming back to the committee with a report on the full completion of the project.

Moved by Director Seaton, seconded by Director Williams,
That the General Manager's report be received for information.

CARRIED

(b) Correspondence: Letter from Mayor Lisa Helps, City of Victoria Re: Galloping Goose Trail

L. Hutcheson advised that, with regards to the management planning process for regional trails, updates will be coming back to the next Committee meeting.

Moved by Director Isitt, seconded by Director Kasper,
That the corresponded dated January 23, 2015 from Mayor Lisa Helps, City of Victoria, regarding the Galloping Goose Trail be referred to the next meeting and received in conjunction with the staff update.

CARRIED

(c) Correspondence: Letter from Mayor Dean Fortin, City of Victoria Re: Galloping Goose Trail

Moved by Director Isitt, seconded by Director Seaton,
That the correspondence dated November 12, 2014 from Mayor Dean Fortin, City of Victoria, regarding the Galloping Goose Trail be received for information.

CARRIED

(d) Correspondence: Letter to Central Saanich Re: Central Saanich Motion to Provide References for Step 1 Scientific Information - Island View Beach Regional Park

Moved by Director Williams, seconded by Director Isitt,
That the correspondence dated February 18, 2015 to the District of Central Saanich regarding Central Saanich motion to provide references for Step 1 Scientific Information - Island View Beach Regional Park be received for information.

CARRIED

9. New Business

There was no new business.

10. Motion to close the meeting in accordance with the Community Charter, Part 4, Division 3, 90(1)(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the regional district considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the district

The March 4, 2015 Regional Parks Committee meeting proceeded to closed meeting at 12:00 pm.

Moved by Director Williams, seconded by Director Tait,
That the March 4, 2015 Regional Parks Committee Open Meeting be closed in accordance with the Community Charter, Part 4, Division 3, 90(1)(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the regional district considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the district.

CARRIED

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:31 pm.

Moved by Seaton, seconded by Williams,

That the March 4, 2015 Regional Parks Committee meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 15, 2015 at 9:30 am.

CHAIR

RECORDER