

Meeting Minutes

Regional Parks Committee

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

10:00 AM

6th Floor Boardroom
625 Fisgard St.
Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

PRESENT:

Directors: M. Hicks (Chair), D. Screech (Vice Chair), J. Brownoff, B. Isitt, N. Jensen, S. Price,
L. Seaton, M. Tait, G. Young

Staff: L. Hutcheson, General Manager, Parks and Environmental Services; B. Hudson, Manager,
Planning, Resource Management, and Development; M. Walton, Senior Manager, Regional Parks;
C. Stewart, Planner, Regional Parks; E. Gorman, Deputy Corporate Officer; P. Perna, Committee Clerk
(Recorder)

ABSENT: Directors B. Desjardins, D. Howe, and R. Windsor

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am.

1. Approval of Agenda

**MOVED by Director Price, SECONDED by Director Brownoff,
That the agenda for the May 17, 2017 Regional Parks Committee meeting be
approved as circulated.
CARRIED**

2. Adoption of Minutes

2.1. [17-423](#) Minutes of the April 19, 2017 Regional Parks Committee Meeting

**MOVED by Director Price, SECONDED by Director Seaton,
That minutes of the April 19, 2017 Regional Parks Committee meeting be adopted
as circulated.
CARRIED**

3. Chair's Remarks

The Chair remarked on the great work staff has done on the various parks' openings.

4. Presentations/Delegations - None.

5. Committee Business

5.1. [17-384](#) Regional Parks 2017 Capital Projects Update

L. Hutcheson provided an overview of the report.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- the deck boards for the Swan Lake trestle and longer term maintenance on the surface
- assessments including trestles in order to understand heritage value and replacement cost
- the types of surfacing needed
- discussions with The Heritage Foundation in deciphering which areas are designated as heritage sites

**MOVED by Director Tait, SECONDED by Director Isitt,
That the Regional Parks Committee recommend to the Capital Regional District Board:
That Regional Parks 2017 Capital Projects Update be received for information.
CARRIED**

5.2. [17-386](#) Regional Parks 2016 Annual Report

L. Hutcheson provided an overview of the report.

**MOVED by Director Price, SECONDED by Director Isitt,
That the Regional Parks Committee recommend to the Capital Regional District Board:
That the Regional Parks 2016 Annual Report be received for information.
CARRIED**

5.3. [17-381](#) Bylaw Amendments relating to Sooke Hills Wilderness Regional Park Reserve

L. Hutcheson provided an overview of the report and the bylaw amendments.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- how the phased openings of trails fit into the Sea-to-Sea Trail
- the need to provide signage and updated mapping to ensure public awareness of restricted areas
- planning trail routes to protect the drinking area zones
- Jack Lake Trail security gate and its role to keep out all terrain vehicle access and eliminate access to the protected drinking water zone
- the possible difficulty in changing trails when the bylaws are enacted
- public education on the watershed buffer zones
- issuing warnings before fines and using discretion on issuing fines
- celebrations planned for opening of the new trails and liaising with Tourism on these openings

**MOVED by Director Price, SECONDED by Director Screech,
That the Regional Parks Committee recommend to the Capital Regional District Board:
1) That Sooke Hills Wilderness Regional Park be removed from Reserve status in order to open portions of the park for public use in accordance with the park management plan and regulations;
2) a. That Bylaw No. 4183, "Sooke Hills Wilderness and Mount Wells Regional Parks Management Plan Bylaw No. 1, Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2017", be introduced and read and first and second time;
b. That Bylaw No. 4183, "Sooke Hills Wilderness and Mount Wells Regional Parks Management Plan Bylaw No. 1, Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2017", be read a third time;**

c. That Bylaw No. 4183, "Sooke Hills Wilderness and Mount Wells Regional Parks Management Plan Bylaw No. 1, Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2017", be adopted.

3) a. That Bylaw No. 4182, "Capital Regional District Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 1, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 2, 2017", be introduced and read a first and second time;

b. That Bylaw No. 4182, "Capital Regional District Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 1, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 2, 2017", be read a third time;

c. That Bylaw No. 4182, "Capital Regional District Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 1, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 2, 2017", be adopted.

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Seaton, **SECONDED** by Director Price,

That the Regional Parks Committee recommend to the Capital Regional District Board:

1) a. That Bylaw No. 4184, "Capital Regional District Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw 1990, Amendment Bylaw No. 61, 2017", be introduced and read a first and second time;

b. That Bylaw No. 4184, "Capital Regional District Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw 1990, Amendment Bylaw No. 61, 2017", be read a third time;

c. That Bylaw No. 4184, "Capital Regional District Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw 1990, Amendment Bylaw No. 61, 2017", be adopted.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Director Isitt

5.4. [17-415](#)

Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park Jurisdictions and Options regarding Motorized Vessels

L. Hutcheson provided an overview of the report and advised that there is no ability to differentiate between a two-stroke or four-stroke motor.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- regulations on horsepower versus engine types
- the lengthy process involved in changing the regulations
- Transport Canada regulations
- the affect and process of changing to electric motors only

MOVED by Director Jensen, **SECONDED** by Director Screech,

That the Regional Parks Committee recommend to the Capital Regional District Board:

That the Capital Regional District maintain the current regulatory framework regarding motorized vessels on Elk and Beaver lakes and that the staff report attached as Attachment 3 be received for information.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Director Isitt

6. New Business - None.

7. Motion to Close the Meeting

7.1. [17-430](#)

Motion to Close the Meeting

MOVED by Director Tait, **SECONDED** by Director Jensen,

That the meeting be closed in accordance with the Community Charter, Part 4, Division 3, 90(1)(a) personal information about an identifiable individual who

holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the regional district or another position appointed by the regional district; and 90(1) (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the board considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the regional district.

CARRIED

The Committee moved to the closed session at 10:47 am.
The Committee rose from the closed session at 10:53 am without report.

8. Adjournment

MOVED by Director Seaton, **SECONDED** by Director Tait,
That the May 17, 2017 Regional Parks Committee meeting be adjourned at 10:53 am.

CARRIED

Chair

Recorder