

Meeting Minutes

Regional Parks Committee

Wednesday, March 23, 2022

9:30 AM

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

PRESENT

Directors: R. Mersereau (Chair), G. Young (Vice Chair), G. Holman (EP), B. Isitt, R. Martin (EP) (9:32 am), J. Ranns, D. Screech (EP), L. Seaton (EP), J. Bateman (for M. Tait) (EP), N. Taylor

Staff: L. Hutcheson, General Manager, Parks and Environmental Services; S. Carey, Senior Manager, Legal Services; M. MacIntyre, Manager, Parks Operations, Regional Parks; C. Stewart, Planner, Regional Parks; J. Dorman, Committee Clerk; T. Pillipow, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP - Electronic Participation

Regrets: Director(s) M. Tait, C. Plant

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Director Taylor provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Director Taylor, **SECONDED** by Director Ranns,
That the agenda for the March 23, 2022 Regional Parks Committee meeting be approved.
CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. [22-197](#) Minutes of the February 23, 2022 Regional Parks Committee Meeting

MOVED by Director Taylor, **SECONDED** by Director Ranns,
That the minutes of the Regional Parks Committee meeting of February 23, 2022 be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

4. Chair's Remarks

Chair Mersereau stated that the Regional Parks Strategic Plan online survey is open until April 4, 2022. Members of the public can access the survey at getinvolved.crd.bc.ca to offer their input. There is also an online information session on April 1, 2022 from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm.

5. Presentations/Delegations

- 5.2. [22-202](#) Delegation - Sarah Gose; Resident of Highlands: Re: Agenda Item 6.1.: Mount Work Draft Management Plan
S. Gose spoke in support of Item 6.1.
- 5.3. [22-204](#) Delegation - Alon Soraya; Representing South Island Mountain Bike Society: Re: Agenda Item 6.1.: Mount Work Draft Management Plan
A. Soraya spoke in support of Item 6.1.

6. Committee Business

- 6.1. [22-183](#) Mount Work Regional Park - Draft Management Plan

M. MacIntyre spoke to Item 6.1.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- the planned location and improvements to the access point at Willis Point
- the status of discussions with WSÁNEĆ leadership regarding this plan
- consideration of trail connectivity between regional parks
- the methodology of estimating visitors to our parks
- balancing conservation and protection in the parks with the expansion of recreational opportunities
- an alternative to the equestrian bridge proposed at Killarney Lake
- the factors that contributed to the delays in creating this management plan
- clarification of existing ecological inventories in regional parks
- classification and signage of all cycling trails

**MOVED by Director Isitt, SECONDED by Director Taylor,
The Regional Parks Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:**

That the Mount Work Regional Park Draft Management Plan be made available for public review and comment.

**MOVED by Director Isitt, SECONDED by Director Taylor,
That the motion be amended to add the wording "That staff include the addition of bike storage facilities at Killarney Lake in the revised capital budget." after the wording "public review and comment."
CARRIED**

**MOVED by Director Taylor, SECONDED by Director Isitt,
That the motion be amended to add the wording, "That staff include the addition of new drinking water fountain stations in the revised capital budget." after the wording "Killarney Lake in the revised capital budget".**

**MOVED by Director Ranns, SECONDED by Director Screech,
That the amending motion be further amended to include the wording "where domestic water is available" after the words, "drinking water fountain stations..."
CARRIED
OPPOSED: Isitt**

The question was called on the amending motion.

MOVED by Director Taylor, **SECONDED** by Director Isitt,
That staff include the addition of new drinking water fountain stations, where
domestic water is available, in the revised capital budget.
CARRIED

The question was called on the main motion as amended.

MOVED by Director Isitt, **SECONDED** by Director Taylor,
The Regional Parks Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District
Board:

1. That the Mount Work Regional Park Draft Management Plan be made available for public review and comment.
2. That staff include the addition of bike storage facilities at Killarney Lake in the revised capital budget.
3. That staff include the addition of new drinking water fountain stations, where domestic water is available, in the revised capital budget.

CARRIED
OPPOSED: Holman

7. Notice(s) of Motion

There were no notice(s) of motion.

8. New Business

There was no new business.

9. Adjournment

MOVED by Director Ranns, **SECONDED** by Director Taylor,
That the March 23, 2022 Regional Parks Committee meeting be adjourned at
11:22 am.
CARRIED

CHAIR

RECORDER