

Capital Regional District

625 Fisgard St., Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

Meeting Minutes

Regional Parks Committee

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

9:30 AM

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

PRESENT

Directors: C. McNeil-Smith (Chair), C. Coleman, S. Goodmanson (EP) (9:52AM), G. Holman, L. Szpak, M. Tait (EP), S. Tobias, K. Williams (EP), R. Windsor (EP)

Staff: L. Hutcheson, Acting Chief Administrative Officer (for T. Robbins); J. Leahy, Senior Manager, Regional Parks; M. MacIntyre, Manager of Parks Operations, Regional Parks; M. Lagoa, Deputy Corporate Officer; T. Pillipow, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP - Electronic Participation

Regrets: Directors: J. Brownoff, C. Plant (Board Chair, ex officio)

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

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Director Szpak provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Director Coleman, SECONDED by Director Tobias, That the agenda for the March 22, 2023 Regional Parks Committee meeting be approved. CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. 23-242 Minutes of the February 22, 2023 Regional Parks Committee Meeting

MOVED by Director Tobias, SECONDED by Director Coleman, That the minutes of the Regional Parks Committee meeting of February 22, 2023 be adopted as circulated. CARRIED

4. Chair's Remarks

There were no Chair's remarks.

5. Presentations/Delegations

There were no presentations or delegations.

6. Committee Business

6.1. 23-224 Capital Regional District Regional Parks - Entrance Signage

J. Leahy spoke to Item 6.1.

Discussion ensued on the naming convention where First Nations territories overlap.

MOVED by Director Holman, SECONDED by Director Coleman,

The Regional Parks Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

That staff proceed with the replacement of the regional parks entrance signs using the 2021 Corporate Signage Guidelines, with the exception of the legacy entrance (log) sign at Thetis Lake Regional Park.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Tobias

6.2. Capital Regional District Regional Parks - 2023 Capital Plan Update

M. MacIntyre presented Item 6.2. for information.

Director Goodmanson joined the meeting at 9:52 am.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- implications to converting the fleet to electric vehicles
- the status of capital projects that rely on grant funding
- methods of communicating algae bloom information to the public at the parks
- funding strategy for parks land acquisition

6.3. Bylaw No. 4545: Amendment to the CRD Parks Services and Facilities Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 3675

J. Leahy spoke to Item 6.3.

Discussion ensued on the possibility of extending the camping season at our campgrounds.

MOVED by Director Windsor, SECONDED by Director Tobias,

The Regional Parks Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

1. That Bylaw No. 4545, "Capital Regional District Regional Parks Services and Facilities Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 1, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 10, 2023", be introduced and read a first, second and third time; and

2. That Bylaw No. 4545 be adopted.

CARRIED

Meeting Minutes

March 22, 2023

Regional Parks Committee

RECORDER