

5. Outstanding Business

5.1. Website with Southern Gulf Islands (Action Plan Priority 6.13-Community Dialogue)

Seeking volunteer Commissioner to improve and foster the website presence for the Salt Spring Island Economic Development Commission.

Francine Carlin came forward to help improve and foster the website presence of the CEDC. Her offer was accepted by the Commission.

5.2. Tourism Plan Update (Action Plan Priority 1.3 Tourism, partnerships with Chamber Activities)

General consensus to defer consideration of updating tourism plan and potential partnership with Chamber for funding.

5.3. Salt Spring Island Community Economic Development Commission Operating Budget 2016

MOVED by Commissioner Cunningham, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Wellingham, That the Salt Spring Island Community Economic Development Commission recommend to the Capital Regional District Board approval of the 2016 Operating budget for the Salt Spring Island Community Economic Development Commission as presented.

CARRIED

5.4. Experience the Gulf Islands Update

Regional Parks is in the planning stage for Salt Spring Island trail portion of the project and public consultation is expected to commence in the first quarter of next year.

Commissioners noted that Saltspring's involvement in Experience the Gulf Islands project was initiated by the CEDC and Director McIntyre. Discussion called for the CEDC to be recognized by CRD and included in a leadership role for developing strategy and program for "Experience the Gulf Islands" projects. CEDC's role is to lead in the arena, not just to solely participate.

6. New Business

6.1. Sunday Long Weekend Markets

Information was received regarding the discontinuation of the pilot project to extend the Saturday Market operating hours.

6.2. Community Economic Development Coordinator

A draft job description was discussed. It was generally agreed to consult with the Economic Development Officer for the San Juan Islands to determine specific deliverable tasks that can be incorporated into a contract position for a Salt Spring Island Economic Development Coordinator.

7. Next Meeting:

It was generally agreed to set the 2016 Public Meetings in advance with the 3rd Thursday in mind. Therefore the next meeting will take place on January 21, 2016 from 4 to 6 pm with a location to be announced.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:38 pm.

CHAIR

SENIOR MANAGER