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**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission
Held February 18, 2013 in the Portlock Park Meeting Room, Salt Spring Island, BC**

Present: **Director:** Wayne McIntyre
 Commission Members: Chair Gregg Dow; Vice Chair Jane Horsburgh;
 Daniel Clements; Matt Kellow; Hafiz Bhimji
 Staff: Lorraine Brewster, Parks and Recreation Manager; Kees Ruurs, CRD
 EA Senior Manager; Tracey Shaver, Recording Secretary
 Excused: Gayle Baker; Stan Shapiro
 Delegations: Charles Kahn, Dave Melanson, Rob Wiltzen

1. Call to Order

1.1 Chair Gregg Dow called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by J. Horsburgh, **SECONDED** by M. Kellow,
That the agenda be adopted with the following additions:
Item 7.1 50k Island Trail Run
Item 7.2 Trans Canada Trail

CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes

It was agreed that item 8.5 should read: CAO instead of CEO.
It was agreed that the spelling of the word acclamation be corrected where used
in item 1.2.

MOVED by W. McIntyre, **SECONDED** by H. Bhimji,
That the minutes of February 7 2013 Regular Meeting be approved as amended.

CARRIED

4. Presentations / Delegations

4.1 Charles Kahn spoke to the materials provided with the agenda under item
4.1. The focus of the presentation was to seek the support of PARC
which would then spearhead the establishment of this trail across the
island and promote the inclusion and designation as part of the
Trans Canada Trail (TCT)

4.2 Dave Melanson spoke to the materials provided with the agenda under
item 4.2. The outline and concept of a SSI Island 50k trail running event
was presented. The CRD PARC Commission was asked to consider
being the first government entity to endorse this event concept so that the
organizers can continue moving this project forward.

5. Reports

5.1 Manager's Report

5.1.1 Project Status Report

L. Brewster provided the Project Status Report as of February 18, 2013. She verbally addressed the following items:

- Bridge replacement in Duck Creek which is being coordinated with Kathy Reimer.
- Program development – Interpretive sign project is moving along well. Student has set up several focus groups for consultations with key stakeholders. Additional public events will continue to bring focus to Mouat Park. Thrifty Foods has agreed to sponsor the Young Chef's program over Spring Break.
- Pickle Ball Group has requested to reserve the tennis courts on Wednesday from 9 am to 1 pm. Consultation with the Tennis Association for requested time.
- The grant for the Fernwood Playing field project has yet to be announced, but we have been notified that our project is still under consideration.

5.2 PARC Planning Committee

5.2.1 Meeting Notes from the Trails Advisory Group, February 5, 2013 were received for information.

5.3 Finance Committee

The January Financial reports were not available. Regular monthly reports are expected to resume with the next meeting agenda.

5.4 Rainbow Road Pool

It was agreed to postpone review of the quarterly pool report until Mr. Raddysh could be in attendance.

DEFERRED

6. Old Business

There were no old business items for consideration at this time.

7. New Business

7.1 50k trail running event

Discussion took place amongst staff and commissioners regarding the event concept and responsibilities or costs that might occur with endorsement. The concept of a community event taking place during the off season would be beneficial to the island as a whole. Many more approvals and endorsements from other agencies will be needed to make this event happen. The PARC Commission agreed to lend their support to

the event concept and use of PARC trails already in place along the finalized route should the event take place.

MOVED by M. Kellow and **SECONDED** by D Clement,
That Parks and Recreation endorse in principle the 50k/20k Island Trail Run and await event details.

CARRIED

- 7.2 Trans Canada Trail
Discussion took place regarding the many benefits for Salt Spring should it be included in the TCT.

MOVED by D. Clement and **SECONDED** by J. Horsburgh,
That Parks and Recreation fully supports the Trans Canada Trail that will run through Salt Spring Island as designated in the presentation on February 18, 2013, item 4.1.

CARRIED

8. Correspondence and Information Items

There were no items submitted

9. Next Meeting

Discussion took place regarding the process of delivering agenda packages and it was generally agreed the electronic version of the agenda package would be acceptable as preparation for the meetings and hard copies would be available on the table the night of the meeting.

The next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting is scheduled on March 18, 2013 at 5:00 pm.

10. Adjournment

MOVED by W. McIntyre, **SECONDED** by Hafiz Bhimji,
That the meeting be adjourned at 6:40 pm.

CARRIED