

- Park is designed to build skills for new or inexperienced bike riders.
- Targeted at an age range about 2-12 years. It is anticipated that adults will ride with children and or be watching from the side.
- Tracks are designed so that different skill levels of riders can participate at the same time along separate routes.
- Directional signage and perimeter fencing will identify area and a walking pathway will be built along the outside.
- Concerns about riders using the rest of the park trails once skills are obtained will have to be managed by PARC. PARC Trails are already multipurpose.

Commissioner Gauld provided some feedback for consideration:

- Consider CPTED design principles and consultation with the RCMP for their input on visibility into the bike park area
- Add informal vehicle access along the west boundary for both maintenance and emergency personnel or equipment to have improved access
- Wood fence as screen for adjacent property owner; perhaps use chain link with green coloured slats for durability
- Wood structures for signage, trail and shelter; perhaps use less exposed wood, employ flashings better roof drainage design or use of steel roof; general concern about maintenance cost for wood structures versus higher capital costs for materials with long term durability
- Revise entrance pathway configuration to better accommodate users arriving from the north
- Directional signage or trail design to keep rider traffic flowing in the same direction

3.2 Josh Havelaar and Sean Mulligan

Josh and Sean provided support for the project on behalf of the SSI Bike Club and some points for consideration:

- This will be a skills park only; not an area for jumping or advanced elevated track riding
- Skills learned on different terrains and situations will translate into safer road side bicyclist in the future.
- The size of the park is fine for the purpose; loops are meant to be repetitive to master skills; similar to skate park concept
- Bike Club members consulted with various park users on several different days and times and were pleased with the majority of responses being positive.
- Bike Park will be a beneficial use of the space with habitat restoration and community ownership

Point of order was called by Commissioner Webster to keep discussions under agenda topics

4. Director and Chair Reports

4.1 No Director Report

4.2 Chair Dow

Chair Dow briefly reported on the following:

- Attendance at the Indoor Pool Reopening and the 10th year celebration for the local BC Transit Service

- Clarification on process and review of community parkland dedications
 - PARC has not taken the position of rejecting parkland in favour of cash in lieu
 - Every property referral that comes through for comment is reviewed based on OCP, 2009 Parks and Rec Strat Plan and the 2011 Parks and Master Trails Plan
 - Consideration is given for pocket parks and or gaps in trail networks
 - Site visits are conducted to evaluate potential public uses and liabilities
 - The top priority over the last 10 years has been acquisition of property for sport field development
 - Accepting cash in lieu allows funds to accumulate for the purchase of a larger property without raising taxes

5. Outstanding Business

5.1 Lions Commemorative Bike Park

Further discussions:

- Safe travel routes to and from Mouat Park; additional pathway projects under development
- Project request and presentation was well thought out; extensive planning work and public consultation completed; funding in place with large donation.
- Good community use of space.
- Consideration of concerns and feedback received and acknowledged; project designed to mitigate foreseen issues as much as possible.
- Chair to send letter to Marianne Hobbs whom left the Red Flags poster for Commission consideration at this meeting.
- Large park property shared by multiple user groups; education and respect for all park users will be an ongoing challenge to manage.

MOVED by Commissioner Webster, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Collombin,
That the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission supports the final design of the Lions Commemorative Bike Park as presented subject to consultation with the commission regarding the removal of any trees over 10 cm in diameter.

By friendly amendment

That the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission supports the final design of the Lions Commemorative Bike Park as presented; subject to consultation with the Commission regarding the removal of any trees over 10 cm in diameter and that the Bike Park Project Manager take into consideration the recommendations made at this meeting.

CARRIED

5.2 Project Status Report

- Pool opening event; 100 +participants
- New website launch; online registrations increased, in person registration is now at the indoor pool with positive responses.
- Saturday swim lessons popular (27 registered for first set; 10 registered online)

5.3 Service Plans and Performance Monitoring

A) 2016-2019 Service Plan for Salt Spring Island

B) Service Plan Update Summary 2018

Process and timelines discussed regarding the preparation of CRD wide service plans.

- Service plans are based on 4 years and coincide with elections and budget planning
- High level review and update for the CRD Board on an annual basis; PARC receives updates monthly with more specific information based on projects
- Next round of service plans is starting for 2020
- Service plan updates to the CRD Board will be shared with PARC Commission

5.4 Community Spaces – Grant Application

Grant from the Co-op community spaces to assist with the replacement of washrooms in Centennial Park was declined.

Other grants for pool toys and camp equipment are still pending.

5.5 Dragonfly Commons

- Concern raised that PARC may not receive any community benefit from subdivision should Islands Trust recommend that the Ministry of Transportation waive all “in lieu” fees.
- Different perceptions in the community as to the quality of the land being offered as parkland dedication.
- PARC’s recommendations was based on a past decision made by Island Trust regarding the concept of a community benefit and in recognition and support of this affordable housing project.

5.6 Harbour Walk Steering Committee

- Concern raised that information on the status of this project is being discussed in the community before reports have been made to the Steering Committee.
- Project manager has not provided final summary report on assessment works completed to date.
- Staff and the PARC liaison on the project steering committee (Gregg Dow) to investigate and report back to commission.

6. New Business

6.1 License of Occupation – Allotment Gardens Rainbow Road Park

Input provided and discussed on a few section of the lease.

MOVED by Commissioner Gauld, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Webster,
That the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission recommends that the Capital Regional District enter into a property agreement with the Transition Salt Spring Society for the purpose of operating an allotment garden and 262 Rainbow Road in the licensed area identified in schedule A from April 1, 2017 and terminating on the day of March 31, 2022 at a license fee of \$1.00 and further, that CRD staff and Chief Administrative Officer negotiate and execute and agreement suitable for the tenure.

CARRIED

7. **Next Meeting** - Special meeting for Budget Preparations - **June 11, 2018 from 5 to 7 pm at the Portlock Park Portable**

8. **Adjournment**
MOVED By Commissioner Gauld, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Collombin,
That the meeting adjourn at 6:55 pm

CHAIR

SENIOR MANAGER