

Minutes of Area B Parks Commission Meeting held on February 20, 2014 at 6:30 PM. at the Shawnigan Lake Community Centre

PRESENT

Bill Savage, Scott Overhill, Al Brunet, Gaileen Flaman

Guests: Kelly Musselwhite, Bruce Fraser, Dan Massen (Lake Watch), members of Shawnigan Lake Community Centre Commission, Shawnigan Business Association, Keith Shields (SID), key members of Village Design Group

Absent: Catherine Whittome, Tom Buss, Margaret Symon

CVRD STAFF

Tanya Soroka, Brian F.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions proposed as defined below. Moved and Seconded.

MOTION CARRIED

M1 – ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was Moved and Seconded that the Minutes of the Parks Commission meeting of November 21, 2013, be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to order, approval of agenda. Bill Savage presiding.
2. Guest Presentation: Community Policing – Lake Watch – Dan Massen. Lake Watch has constructed a website and pamphlets. Website has an online incident reporting form. Organization is seeking volunteers to staff ramps.
3. Joint meeting with Shawnigan Lake Community Centre Commission, Shawnigan Business Association, Young Seniors Association, Keith Shields (SID), key members of Village Design Group and other interested parties regarding use of Elsie Miles / Dougan Park and Community Centre properties.

Draft concepts presented by CVRD staff, including concept diagrams. Ideas presented included: amphitheatre, sports court (multi-use), community garden, natural design playground, walking trail to lake, extend to old community centre, expand or move museum, change parking and access to SLCC, venues for youth and seniors, community kitchen, campground, boathouse. Overall vision is to use contiguous space to offer visual connectivity to lake and community centre. Old community centre property use is TBD. Many align with Parks Official Community Plan.

Goal to establish consensus on core amenities and obtain public feedback at upcoming events (Shawnigan Gathering).
4. Parks Commission Business Meeting: November 2013 minutes approved, Moved and seconded.
5. Proposed Subdivision Applications discussed, two across from each other at Nora Place, off Cameron-Taggard Road and Carlton Drive – Memo from Tanya Soroka (CVRD). Recommendation to take cash in lieu discussed and considered favourable by attending commission members.

6. Gatekeeper / Washroom person still needed for Shawnigan Athletic Park. All attendees asked to put word out. CVRD to check regarding honorarium of \$100/month.
7. Shawnigan Gathering: booth registration for Parks, Gailen Flaman, Bill Savage, Scott Overhill to participate with CVRD Parks.
8. Area Director's Report, Bruce Fraser:
Most items covered in #3. Additional items:
Island Corridor Foundation and Via Rail in discussion regarding use of rail.

New Business

Items added to agenda.

9. Mother's Day Picnic at Shawnigan Hills Athletic Park: Gaileen Flanagan to connect with SLCC members to participate. Suggest a banner at park. Pamphlets to be displayed at Shawnigan Gathering.
10. Bruce Fraser: Water Treatment and Testing Pilot at Mason's Beach funded by National Research Council. Portable research lab trailer is 53'Lx8'Wx14'H and would require electrical connection. Site would be on West side of Mason's beach. To be located from May 2014 to March 2015. There will be periodic public education opportunities at the site.

Motion in favour of approving use of site for this purpose was Moved and Seconded.

MOTION CARRIED

11. Brian Farquar (CVRD): Updates from minutes of Nov. 2013:
West Shawnigan Lake Park and Government Wharf: CVRD update: in discussions with BC Parks to obtain a 20 year extension of management plan, where plan will be site specific with community input in 2016 community planning process.

Brian Farquar (CVRD) re. Nov. 2013 minutes item 4, Elkington Park Pond: discussion regarding adjustment in timing of selected amenities to later phase of development. Site visit in April TBD.

Brian Farquar (CVRD) Nov 2013 minutes item 5, re. Woodlots & Malahat First Nations, proposing buffer along trail for viewsapes recognizing value community puts on area. Additional discussions in progress.

Brian Farquar (CVRD) Nov 2013 minutes item 6, Worthington park re. Mike Miller memo: phase 2 park area, question raised by commission re. toilet facility options.

12. North side, Mason's Beach, concerns raised regarding impact of removal of log boom at Masons resulting in clutter and structures finding their way under the bridge. Bruce Fraser to raise issue at Engineering meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

It was Moved and Seconded
That the meeting be adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.
Next meeting in March TBD.

Chair

Recording Secretary