Minutes Area D parks Commission Monday, March 23/2015 Cowichan Estuary Nature Centre

Call to order: 6:40 pm

Attendees: Steve Garnett, Dave Nisbet, Kerry Gortan, Kerrie Talbot, Lori Iannidinardo (Director) and Cheryl Delbridge

Regrets: Roger Southern

Elections

Chair: Kerrie Talbot

Vice Chair: Steve Garnett

Note Taker: rotate through members

Thank you to Bruce Clarke for his past volunteer commitment to Area D Parks Commission. Welcome to Kerry Gortan, our newly elected Parks Commission member.

Approval of Agenda: **Moved and Carried** Approval of previous minutes: **Moved and Carried**

Correspondence:

Received, reviewed and support letter from Brian Salmon.

Motion: Request CVRD Parks staff contact Nature's Trust re: bridge as described in letter from Brian Salmon. Staff please communicate with Brian regarding outcome. **Moved and Carried**

Wilmot Road Trail

Motion: Request staff please follow-up with MOT re: Walking access along Wilmot Road between Pavenham and Vee Road. Please provide Area D parks commission with update regarding the plan for completing the trail. **Moved and Carried**

Sparwood Trail

Motion: Request staff mark Sparwood walking Trail to Bomford Beach Trail and update Area D Parks Commission re: plans for completion. **Moved and Carried**

Pritchard /Wessex Ravine Trail

Motion: Request staff follow-up with the Cannery Development letter dedicating walking path development for Parks Commission, and update Area D Parks Commission regarding future plans for this trail. Letter was dated January 21/2014 reiterating commitment for walking trail discussed at the January 17th meeting, the letter was received at CVRD February 12/2014.

Moved and Carried

Stephanie's Stroll

Motion: Request staff follow-up with remediation of the trail with Cowichan Bay Water Board. Please update Area D Parks Commission with future plan. **Moved and Carried**

Wessex Ravine Heron Rookery

Motion: Request that staff please erect signage @ the back of the Cannery, on Pritchard Road and Wessex Road identifying the development permit area re: Heron Rookery reiterating the bylaw. As well please mail out the bylaw information to the residents surrounding the rookery. Provide a response to Area D Parks Commission re: plan and initiating signage and mail out.

Moved and Carried

Sutherland Drive - discussion around future park trail & beach access at this site.

Coverdale Watson Park - reviewed & approved staff plans for update on park playground equipment.

Lanes Road Trail - discussion confirming \$7,500.00 being held by CVRD for future trail.

Upcoming events:

Thursday March 26 @ 3pm meeting @ CENC re: Cowichan Bay Fishermens Wharf Association and Area D Parks Commission to meet for initial planning session.

Saturday March 28 CERCA's official opening of the Bridge, 11am @ the causeway (former Westcan Terminals) in the Cowichan Estuary.

Request made for a meeting minutes template for recorders to use.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:20 pm.

Next meeting April 20 6:30 pm @ Cowichan Estuary Nature Centre