MINUTES OF ELECTORAL AREA "G" (SALTAIR/GULF ISLANDS) PARKS COMMISSION

DATE: May 11th, 2015

TIME: 7:00 pm

MINUTES of the electoral Area "G" Parks Commission meeting held on the above noted date and time at 3850 South Oyster School Road, Saltair Community Building.

PRESENT:

Chairperson: Tim Godau **Secretary:** Jackie Rieck

Members: Paul Bottomley, Glen Hammond, and Kelly Schellenberg

ABSENT: Harry Brunt, Dave Key, and Amanda Redpath

GUESTS: Debbie Neil and Ryan Dias (CVRD)

DIRECTOR: Mel Dorey

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion: Approve Agenda as submitted

Motion Carried

ACCEPTANCE OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Reviewed and made corrections to the previous Minutes of April 7th, 2015

Motion:

It was moved and seconded to accept amendments/corrections of the Minutes of Area G Parks Commission meeting held on April 7th, 2015. Amended copy will be forwarded to the CVRD.

Motion Carried

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- -There will be a public information session on May 20th at 7:00 pm, Aggie Hall in Ladysmith regarding Community Watershed and forming a Watershed Round table. Anyone interested is encouraged to attend.
- -Community meeting held on May 7th was well attended. Thank you to CVRD staff for their informative Burning Bylaw and Waste Plan presentation.

CVRD REPORT:

- -Ryan Dias provided copies of Area G's "Statement of Revenue and Expenditures" and reviewed details with Commission.
- -Ryan will send details of the reserve funds and their resources to Chair Tim Godau.
- -2016 Budget must be approved by August 2015.
- -Public requests for memorial benches must be passed through to Graham Gidden to ensure that benches meet CVRD standards.
- -Director Dorey requested the "Welcome to Saltair" sign at the Ladysmith/Saltair border be spruced up as the colours have faded significantly. Ryan to follow up.

SALTAIR COMMUNITY CENTRE:

-Reviewed photo of Bus Stop Shelter example. Commission would like to see a bus stop shelter be constructed on the Community Centre property where the school bus stops for pick up and drop off of elementary and secondary students. There has always been a need for a shelter in this area to protect students from the elements. A local citizen has offered to donate most of the required lumber to build the shelter and volunteers have offered to help with the construction.

Motion:

It was moved and seconded to move forward with the plan to construct a bus stop shelter at the Saltair Community Center Bus turn around. Tim Godau will consult with CVRD staff to discuss options.

Motion Carried

-For liability reasons, CVRD has requested that no group meetings be held at the Centre unless Director Dorey is in attendance.

CENTENNIAL PARK:

- -Brent Wilson emailed Paul Bottomley to ensure the chain link fence repairs required were in the works. At the time of this meeting, repairs had not been conducted.
- -Paul Bottomley was contacted by a representative from Emergency Preparedness department stating they were sending an independent contractor to service the generator in the Emergency Container, but the rep did not show up. A discussion ensued regarding the lack of emergency supplies and preparedness for Saltair. Director Dorey will follow up with CVRD.
- -Ryan Dias informed Commission the public washroom partitions are scheduled for replacement this summer.

PRINCESS DIANA PARK:

-Signage and benches are to be placed in the park in the next month.

PARKINSON/CLIFCOE CONNECTOR:

-On April 28th, Tim Godau and Jackie Rieck had a on-site meeting with Dan Brown and Mike Miller to review potential trail construction connecting Chemainus Rd through to Clifcoe Road. Cost projection value came in at \$49,277.50. Director Dorey will lobby the CVRD with ideas of bringing costs down. Mel will follow up at next meeting.

STOCKING CREEK PARK:

-Director Dorey requests that maintenance staff perform a once a year brush cut to the very front entrance of Thick Road and to also ensure ditches are clear of alder saplings to allow for good visibility to drivers exiting Thick Rd onto Chemainus RD. Mel will follow up with CVRD staff.

BEACH ACCESSES:

- -Japanese knot weed issue at Skinner Road has been forwarded by CVRD staff to MOT.
- -Director Dorey requests that maintenance staff perform a once a year brush cut on the trail that leads to and under the Lagoon Bridge beach access.

SALTAIR BALL LEAGUE:

-No report.

LADYSMITH PARKS & REC:

-Paul Bottomley reported that a Dog Park will be built at Sixth and Methuen. Federal Government would like the entire Trans Canada Trail be completed by 2017.

NEW BUSINESS:

-Dave Key requested \$100.00 to renew his "Fireworks Operator Certificate", which is good for another 5years (2020).

Motion: It was moved and seconded to allow a \$100.00 expenditure to renew Dave Key's Fireworks Operator Certificate to 2020. Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT: 9:40 PM NEXT MEETING: June 1st, 2015, 7:00 pm