Area A Parks Commission Minutes, 18 June, 2015

Attending: Director Davis, Brook Adams, Greg Farley, Frank Lockerbie, Deryk Norton, April Tilson.

Regrets: Chair David Gall. Dave LeStock-Kay, Ron Parsons.

Nicole Dyrbye has sent in her resignation

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Old Business

Lodgepole Road development - to accept land or money in lieu

Discussion of walkabout on the Limona property including input from two members who were absent.

MOTION: that we take the land for the trail on the Lodgepole property. It might take a bit of time to get Brentwood on side for the extra bit needed but we should take the land in this case and have it marked and trail begun as soon as we can no matter what the developer decides to do with the property including not building for a while. It should be protected for its trees and a rough trail mapped out ASAP. Carried.

MOTION: That the CVRD attempt negotiation with Brentwood College for a trail right of way between Mill Springs and Lodgepole. Carried.

New business

Begin budget discussion.

Ryan Dias will be at our July meeting to discuss the Budget.

Discussion of student work projects:

The students will work with the regular employees unless there is a specific project we would like them to do.

Suggestion: Work be done at the south end of the trail between Bucktail and Alget in Mill Springs – in particular the part just above Bucktail, perhaps with the help of the students.

Director Davis will ask about this.

Concerns were raised about the loss of access to walkers to Rat Lake and the heightened use of the trail by ATVs and motorbikes.

Director Davis will look into whether or not we can have another agreement with Island Timberlands similar to the one we had in the past.

Question to Director Davis: What is happening about the supervised summer playground projects?

Since Deloume Park is having work done over the summer, the project will be in Huckleberry Park. There is no news about a park project with the Malahat playground.

The next meeting will be July 16, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the Brentwood College boardroom.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM