

Minutes of the Cowichan Station/Glenora/Sahtlam Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting, held on February 18, 2010 at the Glenora Community Hall.

Present: Director Loren Duncan, Paul Slade, Frank McCorkell, Howard Heyd, Irene Evans and Ron Smith.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m.

Minutes: The minutes of the October 15, 2009 meeting were distributed and reviewed by the Commission members present and accepted.

Business Arising: Director Duncan told the Commission that 8 picnic tables have been ordered and will be coming at various times over the coming year. A number of them are slated for the Glenora Staging Area Community Park.

Howard Heyd wanted to know if the property owners adjacent to Johns Road had been notified that the Parks Dept. will be doing various improvements to the right-of-way for access to the Cowichan River. Director Duncan believed this will have to be done prior to starting the work later this spring or summer.

At this point the meeting moved into closed session.

The closed session meeting rose without report and returned to regular session.

New Business:

1. Skylight above the kiosk area of the on the Glenora Staging Area washroom. It was pointed out by some frequent users and also noticed by the Commission Chair yesterday that flies were being trapped in the skylight and could not get out. Evidently in the summer they flies and wasps fly up into the skylight, get trapped and after drop down dead onto the picnic tables and food. It was recommended that the parks staff fit a clear Plexiglas sheet at the bottom of the skylight thus keeping the flying insects out of the area.

2. Dog feces: Users of the Glenora Staging Area Park and the Trans Canada Trail also mentioned to the Chair that more attention has to be paid to the dog feces problem. This is especially a problem for those using the park and trails who are visually challenged (as this particular group was). They suggested that better signage should be put up near where the dog bag stand is located, a disposal can located somewhere in the same area, and that there is a regular checking of the grass and picnic area to remove any feces.

3. The Chair mentioned that work is now underway to construct the new B.C. Hydro line along Miller road and through Maple Grove Park at the bottom of Hakawy Road.

4. Horse Paddocks: Frank McCorkell indicated that he has been trying to contact some of the members of the local horse riding clubs without luck and wants to have the material for the first two paddocks ordered so that they can be built right away. The Commission agreed that this be undertaken immediately.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be at the CVRD offices on Thursday morning, March 4, 2010 at 10a.m.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.