

MINUTES OF THE AREA F PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION

Honeymoon Bay Hall March 4, 2010

Called to Order at 19:02. David Lowther in the chair,

Present: Ray Wear, David Lowther, Shirley Burden, Sharon Wilcox, Dave Darling, Carolyn LeBlanc, Brian Peters, Peter van Buiten, Ian Morrison, Bill Bakkan.

MSC: to accord voice and vote to new members awaiting confirmation.

MSC: to approve the agenda.

MSC: to accept the Previous Minutes.

2010 Budget: the proposed budget was reviewed and discussed.

Report from the Chair:

This year we will be using the rules of order in an effort to improve the function of the Commission. I will be keeping a speaker's list and calling on members in order.

Reports will be in writing (like this one) for the convenience of the Secretary and for the purposes of accuracy. The reports will be made and acceptance thereof moved before questions are asked or amendments suggested.

This month we will be assigning individual parks to individual committee members under business arising from this report. We will also be establishing a few committees to examine specific projects that have been suggested.

A Bowling Green Committee to be chaired by Shirley Burden.

A Boat Launch Committee to be chaired by Brian Peters..

An Ongoing Projects Committee to be chaired by Ray Wear.

These committees will be expected to report from time to time, and will take direction from the Commission. Membership is not restricted to commissioners, and the Chair of each committee is encouraged to recruit from the community at large. The Chair (that's me!) and the Secretary will be ex officio members of each committee.

As other projects are identified we will establish committees for them as well. The mandate of these committees is to determine public desire and consider ways to satisfy them. We need to remember that staff cannot do what we want unless we make it clear. It also helps if what we ask is possible.

Channels of communication are very important. Our CVRD Director has undertaken to provide us with the support and information we need, and commissioners should approach him or their Chairperson rather than directly contacting the staff unless there is an emergency. We need to remember that we are an advisory group whose main concern is policy and direction.

That being said, a little action would be nice. I hope that at the end of this year we will be able to look back on a successful year of definite progress.

MSC: to adopt the report.

Report from the Regional Director:

Taxes will be going up substantially this year. The CVRD will be hiring a new human resources representative, an emergency planning person and someone to come out to our Community Halls when there is work to be done.

MSC: to accept the report.

Unfinished Business:

MSC: to allow Myrna Moffett to dedicate a tree in Memory Lane to her husband Wally.

MSC: that the Circle Route pullout at Mesachie Lake be referred to the Ongoing Projects Committee for immediate action.

MSC: to raise the Area F tax requisition by 10,000 (ten thousand) dollars.

MSC: to **adjourn** at 21:05.