

## Area B, Shawnigan Lake Parks and Recreation Commission

Attendees: Catherine Whittome, Bill Savage, Lori Treloar, Gaileen Flaman, Scott Overhill, Margaret Symon

GP: Brian Jackson

Scribe: Catherine Whittome

Meeting called to order at 6:35 p.m.

Minutes of March 15.2012 approved, with minor change (Island Timberlands, not TimberWest, leases Jack Fleetwood Trail to CVRD)

### Business Items:

#### Shawnigan Hills Athletic Park:

- Landscaping newly implemented around new washroom facility; shrubs and trees have been planted.
- Current gate keeper is unable to continue duties; new gate keeper is required (with additional duties of locking/unlocking washroom facility). Duties come with remuneration.

Over the recent past, gate has been left open at night, with resultant signs of disturbance (beer cans, litter).

- Gaileen Flaman received from Graham Gidden/Michael Miller a number of pamphlets from different playground equipment companies featuring items suitable for proposed tot lot playground at Shawnigan Hills. Gaileen Flaman presented her recommendations to commission members. Discussion about ideal user group age range, features that would minimize potential vandalism).

**Motion:** The Shawnigan Lake Parks Commission and Recreation Commission accepts the conceptual tot lot playground design components, and following final approval by the commission (by email), endorses the purchase of the materials and development of the tot lot by the CVRD Parks Dept. **Motion carried.**

- Tabled the date for the Opening of the New Washroom facility/Silvermine Trail/Tot Lot – pending completion of tot lot (when the weather should be better).

#### Shawnigan Beach Estates:

- The commission would like an update from the bylaw enforcement officer on the encroachment into the Green Belt (specific site discussed with Brian Farquhar at commission meeting in 2011).
- The Greenbelt map that has been posted on at the Gregory/McKean entrance of the Shawnigan Lake Beach Estates has been covered over with other people's notices.

#### Shawnigan Triathlon-

- Continued pressure from the Triathlon company to supply pro-bono services. Commission feels as the triathlon is a “for profit” enterprise, it is their responsibility to pay for expenses related to the triathlon usage of West Shawnigan Park and the TransCanada Trail – including park and trail usage (boarding up washrooms during weekend event, any grading of TCT, moving boulders and replacing when done on spur trail, repairing any damage to grass/other areas of park resulting from triathlon-related equipment. CVRD Parks Dept. supports commission.
- The commission feels the triathlon company should be leaving a lasting legacy in the Shawnigan community (i.e., significant contribution to Kinsol Trestle). As the 6<sup>th</sup> Shawnigan Triathlon approaches, so far, the previous 5 year’s events have left behind a core of exhausted local volunteers.

#### Memory Island

- No Update

#### Shawnigan Focus

- Congratulations on your 1<sup>st</sup> Year Anniversary (March 18, 2012)!

#### Road Ends

**Motion:** To reiterate previous motions from past years, request that the 2005 Road End Study be deemed as complete, and released in complete format to the commission.

**Motion carried.**

Discussion about parking at Bell-Irving road end. Island residents use Bell-Irving for overnight parking. Bell-Irving is a designated fire department drafting location. Island residents may need to consider an alternate parking/access point.

#### New Business:

Proposed Rezoning Lot A, Range 1, Plan VIP72158 and Lot 2, Range 2, Plan VIP87864, both in Sec. 6, Shawnigan District.

**Motion:** If the lot is rezoned from F1 to R2 the Shawnigan Lake Parks Commission concurs with the recommendations made by CVRD Parks Dept. (CVRD Memo to Parks Commission, April 12, 2012), recommending:

- a 7 meter wide trail corridor along N boundary running E-W (in order to continue the Silvermine Trail W towards the Kinsol Trestle. This corridor would link the existing section of Silvermine Trail to Crown Land to the W, thereby continuing the trail linkage as proposed in the Shawnigan Lk Community Parks and Trails Master Plan.)
- a 4-m wide strip of park land running N/S along the SE boundary adjacent to the park land to the E of the subject property (to permit widening the current trail corridor from 6 to 10 m in order to divert the Silvermine Trail around a rock outcrop)
- In addition, in accordance with new amenity zoning provided in the new South Cowichan OCP, the Commission would like to request:
- that, on the N boundary, the property owner construct the trail to CVRD Parks Dept.

standards

- that the property owner allow thru-access for pedestrian access via the existing gravel road between the west end of Baron Road and the CVRD Water Treatment Area AND
- that the property owner install live fencing (deciduous trees/shrubs) beside existing and proposed trails along the northern and eastern boundary of the property. **Motion carried.**

#### Recreation and Parks Symposium

- May 2012 Gaileen Flaman will email the information to the commission.

#### Cairn Park

- Shawnigan Lake Business Association is selling ads for the sign at Cairn Park. According to CVRD Parks Dept, Cairn Park is not parkland owned by the CVRD, but it is managed by the CVRD; therefore CVRD bylaws apply: no advertising in parks. Update requested from Area Director.
- Commission feels that Cairn Park is an appropriate location to have a map of Shawnigan Lake and the Kinsol Trestle.

#### Shawnigan Lake Water:

- Discussion on what we can do as a commission to help support the Shawnigan Lake Watershed Committee and save our lakes drinking water.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.