## Minutes of the Cowichan Station/Glenora/Sahtlam Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting, held on September 13, 2012, at the Glenora Community Hall

**Present:** Frank McCorkell, Chair, Ron Smith, Director Loren Duncan, Patty John, Mike Lees, Irene Evans, and Brian Farquhar, CVRD Parks & Trails Manager

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

## Minutes:

The Commission reviewed both the regular session minutes and the in-camera minutes of May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012. There was considerable discussion on a number of the points in the minutes including updates on projects that had taken place over the summer.

## **Business Arising:**

A recent donation from the Cowichan Horse Riding Association was discussed and the secretary will attempt to get some additional information about the donation from the club and provide staff with the details so any donation is appropriately shown in the budget and a letter of appreciation can be sent to the club.

## **New Business:**

1. Community Parks Budget for 2013

Brian Farquhar assisted the Commission with a thorough review of the present (2012) budget, the expenditures forecast to the end of the year as well as the proposed 2013 budget. There were some minor changes made to the forecasted expenditures resulting in the proposed budget being set at \$235,000.

In addition the Commission reviewed the Community Parks Minor and Major Capital Projects for 2013 and these will be appropriately detailed in the final budget statement.

- 2. The Canadian Mental Health Association has requested the use of a portion of the Glenora Trails Head Park on May 3, 2013 for their annual fund raising event. Chairman McCorkell read the memorandum from staff and the Commission were pleased to allow the Association to hold their afternoon event as proposed next May.
- 3. Horse Riding Event. It was briefly mentioned that there was a very successful ride by the Horse Council of B.C. across the Kinsol Trestle to the Glenora Trails Head Park on Sunday September 9<sup>th</sup>. In addition some of the literature available as well as photos of the event was shown to the Commission members.
- 4. Community Parks Appreciation Day—September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Frank McCorkell informed Commission members that this will take place this coming Sunday and asked volunteers to come out and help. It will take place from approximately 11am to 3pm.
- 5. Pubic Meeting in Sahtlam. This is to take place on October 23<sup>rd</sup> and the main focus will be on the Community Parks development in the Sahtlam area.

Next Meeting: This will be called by the Chair.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.