



AREA A PARKS COMMISSION MEETING: Thursday June 9, 2016

Attending: Nancy Crichton, Brook Adams, David Keir, Bonnie Mills, Kerry Davis (Director),
Brook Adams, Jim Connor, Ed Arnold and April Tilson (Chairperson)

Regrets: Deryk Norton

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairperson, April Tilson

Old business

Discussion: The walkabout in Mill Springs. CVRD would have to take out permits required to remediate the area from MOTI which could take several months.

#1 the property belongs to MOTI.

#2 the cost to the CVRD would be \$2000.00 of the \$10,000.00 yearly invasive species budget.

#3 there is an issue of the general appearance and one tree, which is bending towards a home. Earth around the roots is beginning to erode. The current status of the tree is that it is not dangerous, dead or dying.

The developer is at a standstill, but is it our role to take on this project as CVRD?

MOTION: That we take no further action on remediation of the area. Carried.

Information item: During the walk about a decision was made regarding the location of a bench. It will be placed on the Northwest corner of the pond.

Available to us as an attachment of the June 3rd email was the INVASIVE SPECIES REPORT. A member had taken a sample of spurge laurel into Dinters for identification and was told that although it was dangerous and could cause a reaction, it was not considered invasive. It is pictured on the front cover of the above report, in color.

MOTION: That a report be sent to Dinters and other nurseries and make certain they are aware of what we are considering INVASIVE. Carried.

The Mill Bay Garden Club will be contacted regarding their possible participation in getting information to the public regarding eradication and/or control of invasive species.

Information item: Memorial Benches- There is a moratorium on Memorial Benches. If someone wants to purchase one they are to contact Graham Gidden at the CVRD. Once the moratorium is lifted, those on his list will be contacted.

Report from Director Davis:

- A reminder that the BarBQ for Volunteers has been rescheduled for June 18th and will be held at the Mill Bay Community Hall
- The boat ramp and facilities will not go ahead as originally planned due to budget restraints. The bond set aside by the Marina Group will be used in the future for another more appropriate site.
- Fisher Road Park - priority will be given to the safety of the children using this site.
- Stonebridge North has passed its 1st and 2nd readings and is now open for public hearings.

With the conclusion of old business, it was moved that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm

Submitted by Bonnie Mills