

Area D Parks Commission Monthly Meeting,
Cowichan Estuary Nature Centre, Cowichan Bay, BC
May 27, 2013

Meeting called to order: 18:42

Present: Lori Iannidinardo, Director, Kerrie Talbot, Chairperson, Bruce Clarke,
acting secretary, Roger Southern, Steve Garnett and David Nisbet.

Guest: Cheryl Delbridge

Absent: Megan Stone, secretary.

Motion: Previous minutes, Amendment Moved/ Carried,
to change reference to Cherry Point Road from Koksilah Rd.
Accept Minutes with Amendment from last meeting (April 15/13). Carried.

Correspondence:

re: Kayak Launch Area at the Marine Gateway.

Concern expressed by kayaker that she was unable to enter / exit her kayak as dock was not user friendly. The Commission discussed the plans and execution of the facility noting several favorable comments by the public. Brian Farquhar, CVRD staff has responded.

Cowichan Bay Estates (Phase 1)

A letter of July 20, 2012 from Tanya Soroka, Creative Engineering Services, CVRD to David Conway
Re: Interior Road Pathways “no longer required” in lieu of a “community trail along the SRW” and “a trail linking Wilmot Road and Vee Road” in Phase 2. Commission discussion followed with agreement the original design was not working.

Ongoing Business:

A motion was made and carried “to ask the Director to explore an amendment to the WCAAP Application allowing the addition of cleanup, barriers and road repairs at Theik Park for the protection of foreshore.”

Events – both held at the Cowichan Estuary Nature Centre

Open House, May 2nd

Draft Parks and Trails Plan was made available by staff. Though the public attendance was not great, discussion was raised for repair of the trail between Wilmot and Pavenham.

Spring Celebration, May 25th

Well attended – approximately 150 served @ Cittaslow Pancake Breakfast. Low Tide Day very successful, as well as grand opening of Cowichan Bay Marine Gateway.

South Cowichan Parks Commission Minutes, May 9

- Bright Angel Park Public meeting June 8th. Input for playground and structures sought.
- Mill Bay Historic Church. Project is nearing completion and the budget has been maintained.
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Next Meeting: June 17/13, CENC.

Meeting adjourned: 20:07