

Minutes

Regular Meeting

Shawnigan (Area B) Parks and Recreation Commission

May 7 2013 at SLCC

Meeting called to order at 7:08 pm.

Attendees: Bruce Fraser, Area Director; Kelly Musselwhite, Alternate Area Director.
Commission Members: Margaret Symon, Bill Savage, Al Brunet, Catherine Whittome, Gaileen Flaman, Scott Overhill, Tom Buss
Guests: Mike Wright, Shawnigan Lake Improvement District,
Lori Treloar, Shawnigan Lake Focus, Brian Jackson
Scribe: Catherine Whittome

Approval of the Agenda and accept changes as needed.

Approval of previous minutes: Need to approve March meeting minutes at next meeting.

Guest Presenter:

Discussion with Mike Wright on the Road Ends for the Shawnigan Lake Fire Department.

- Bruce Fraser said that the W2 Zone Bylaw which will prohibit docks at road ends will be in place within the next couple of month's.
- CVRD is trying to get developmental control of the road ends and foreshore rights.
- Mike Wright discussed the importance of various road ends to the Shawnigan Lake Improvement District for the safety of the community. A map produced by Brian was circulated outlining Fire Access Road Ends.
 1. Bellendean Road (not highlighted on the map) is a public access road end and blocked off by a neighbor owners. The SID needs to have access to this road end. Pictures of this road end have been taken and given to MoH still waiting for a response.
 2. Pillow Road is high importance for lake access due to it location and sight lines to heli pickup at the tree farm
 3. Kodak Road does not have enough room for fire truck access but has good access for Ambulance
 4. Clearihue Road has high importance access for the west arm
 5. Verlon Road is useable but has issues with getting to it
 6. Galley Marina is very hard to get to, especially in the warm weather months. Not useable
 7. Bell Irving only as needed
 8. Recreation Road not usable May to September due to access and congestion
 9. Thrush Road, useable
 10. Public Beach-not useable. Will use west side beach area by Shawnaire Beach Resort
 11. Butler Bay Side, gated and have to get the "owner" of the property to open. This is a public road end.
 12. Lower Shawnigan road can't access by fire truck only by fire boat
 13. Millicent-yes
 14. May Road-yes (needs to be cleared of debris)

15. Sarita-yes
 16. Harvey-yes
 17. Carlson-Hepworth-yes
 18. Angus-Not useable because the ground is too soft for the trucks.
 19. Clearihue-yes
 20. Crief-yes
 21. Worthington-yes
- SID needs roads end access for the safety of home owners and the community. Squatters and traffic congestion are a big safety concern.

Motion:

Al Brunet motioned to request a joint meeting with MoH Rachel Ray, Shawnigan Lake Parks Commission, Shawnigan Lake Improvement District, and Shawnigan Lake RCMP Rob Webb to discuss public safety of accessing lake road ends in early June.

Second by Scott Overhill. Carried.

Reports:

Area Director's Report:

- W2 Zone Bylaw will prohibit docks at the Road Ends. This bylaw will be in place within the next couple of months. Only the upland property owners may put in docks.
- CVRD is trying to get developmental control of the road ends and foreshore rights.
- Discussion with lake watch and boat launches should be manned and a fee charged for using the boat launch. Bruce is working on a CVRD Function, Public Safe Function in Shawnigan Lake and this will allow us to allocate where the funds are to be spent.
- Bruce presented a very large map of the Shawnigan Lake Basin. Origin of the map Frank Limshue. This working map will be in layers showing all information needed. Real estate division of Timber West – Couverdan

South Cowichan Area Commission: Reported by Margaret Symon

- Bright Angel Park Open House June 8(9). Recreation Grant improvements to be implemented 2013\2014.
- Mill Bay Historic Church-works completed to date under budget.

Old Business:

Shawnigan Hills Athletic Park Grand Opening and Mother's Day Picnic May 12, 2013, 11 a.m.- 1 p.m.

- Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting at 12:30 p.m.with Bruce Fraser
- Stations: Face Painting and craft table, Gaileen Flaman; Flowers, Catherine Whittome; Family Picture in the Park, Al Brunet; Parks Information Table with Bucky the Beaver, Margaret Symon; Cake Table & Ribbon Cutting, Tom Buss.
- Setup at 10:30 a.m.

Invasive Plant Species:

- Tanya Soroka from the CVRD said that the pamphlets will be available in a couple of months. The commission can either wait or go ahead and design and print our own at our cost. The commission has agreed to wait for the pamphlets from the CVRD. Al Brunet has requested digital copies of the information and pictures so we can look at having a Shawnigan Lake specific brochure to hand out.

Shawnigan Subaru Triathlon.

- Still looking for volunteers
- New this year is the addition of the High School Triathlon Race.
- Athletes dinner will be held on the Saturday night
- The Rotary has just completed a new trail across connector trail from West Shawnigan Lake Provincial Park up to the Trans Canada Trail. (from the park service road at the Provincial Park.)

Shawnigan Lake Focus Newspaper

Thanked Lori for the continued coverage in the Focus on the parks' commission and asked if they could continue.

New Business:

Elsie Miles

- Grand Acknowledgement of the Acquisition of Elsie Miles, May 25th Ribbon Cutting, 1 p.m. at Elsie Miles School. Just prior to the kids race for the Subaru Triathlon at 1:30 p.m.

Subdivision Application:

- Joint proposal for Firehall No. 3 at the end of the lake with small market and kids playground. APC will be dealing with this at their June 3rd meeting. Small market and kids area proposal by Dale Herb.

Task: SLPC site visit of proposed Firehall and market, arrange available date and times with Denis Kors, development consultant.

Motion:

Bill Savage motions that the CVRD Parks proceed to acquire the E&N Railway Corridor Trail alongside of the tracks to create a trail from Mason's Beach to the Old Mill Park as per the Shawnigan Lake Parks and Master Plan. Al Brunet Second. Carried

Request to please email reports prior to the monthly meetings with the agenda.

Adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Next mtg early June (awaiting reply from MoH).