

Minutes of Area B Parks Commission held on May 15, 2014 at 7:00pm at Shawnigan Lake Community Centre.

Attendees: Bill Savage, Al Brunet, Margaret Symon, Gaileen Flaman, Tom Buss
CVRD Staff: Bruce Fraser
Guests: Kelly Musselwhite
Scribe: Gaileen Flaman

It was Moved and Seconded that the Agenda be approved
MOTION CARRIED

It was Moved and Seconded that the minutes of the Parks Commission meeting of April 2014 be adopted
MOTION CARRIED

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mother's Day Picnic in the Park at SHAP

- Report from Margaret and Gaileen regarding the turnout and success of the 2nd annual event. Report attached.
- Noted that Kerry Park Recreation plans to offer outdoor Pickleball in lacrosse box of Shawnigan Hills Athletic Park. Gaileen suggested the offering be expanded to include an evening drop-in.
- **Motion:** The Parks Commission makes a motion to install designated parking stalls for people with disabilities at SHAP. **MOTION CARRIED**

Lakewatch

- Report from Bill suggested lake-front and lake-using volunteers are still needed to support program. 300 flyers delivered to lake-front home owners.
- Al suggested Twitter hashtag might increase involvement.
- Margaret to invite SL RCMP to respond to questions regarding response to abusers and potential of summer student program as a resource.
- **Motion:** The Parks Commission makes a motion to support and expand program and will receive support from Parks Commission. **MOTION CARRIED**

Road Ends

- Report from Margaret regarding roads ends development and priority list and a response from Brian Farquar expected in June.
- CVRD staff considering Verlon as a beach access to accommodate island residents as Bell-Irving no longer available.

Shawnigan Triathlon

- Gaileen spoke to the need of having a Parks Commission member to be stationed at a Parks table with face-painting at the Village Festival on May 24, 2014 from 12noon – 4pm. No one available. Gaileen to ensure representation.

Elkington Plant Transfer

- Plant transfer date of May 31 postponed. Date TBA.

New Business

- Thanks extended to Bill for chairing past few meetings.
- Report from Kelly Musselwhite regarding usage of Elsie Miles property including 6 potential amenities suggested by resident's via the public meeting and Shawnigan Gathering.
- Report from Bill regarding road end conflict including his receipt of an order to remove his dock despite no similar order being presented to neighbour who also built a dock and boathouse. Story to be published in The Focus.
- Bruce reported that each road end has been zoned W4 and confirmed that boathouses cannot have house living space.
- Margaret to invite Brian to speak to new bylaw and lake jurisdiction implications regarding road end docks and boathouses.

Director's report

- Referendum in fall to decide whether Sportsplex will be a permanent function supported via property taxes and grant-in-aid.
- May 26 7pm public meeting at SLCC regarding Craig Partridge development application around West Arm wetlands. Bill to attend.
- Regional Water Management Study asking how we deal with water as a region in order to be more effective in planning and jurisdiction.

It was Moved and Seconded that the meeting be adjourned

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.

Mother's Day Picnic in the Park 2014

Report submitted by Gaileen Flaman

SECTION ONE: PROGRAM INFORMATION

Name of event: Mother's Day Picnic in the Park

Description: A small-scale, low-key community event for families to gather in Shawnigan Hills Athletic Park. Activities provided include face-painting, kid's crafts (fairy gardens), outdoor games and music. Families are encouraged to bring a picnic.

Participants: Approximately 25 families

Marketing: Citizen and Leader Pictorial online community calendars, The Focus, Facebook: SLBA, South Cowichan Community, Shawnigan Lake Parents Group, Shawnigan Lake Community Events Forum.

SECTION TWO: COMMUNITY PARTNERS

<u>Partner</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Provision</u>
CVRD Parks Department	Via Margaret Symon Chair, Parks Commission Strathcona.fc@shaw.ca	facepaint (\$25) flowers (\$25)
Janet Cundall Shawnigan Montessori	shawniganmontessori@gmail.com	Lead children's craft and provided supplies
SLCC	Janine Layseca jlayseca@cvrd.bc.ca	Staff and equipment for outdoor games
Thrifty's Flower Dept	Mike Murphy, Manager Mikemurphy@thriftyfoods.com	Carnations \$.50 each
Parks Commission	Via Margaret Symon Chair, Parks Commission Strathcona.fc@shaw.ca	Volunteers to give out flowers, set-up music system, provide parks info
Orange Frog Studios	Melanie Seal-Jones melanie@orangefrogstudio.com	Update poster and handbill
SLS	Gary Dukelow gdukelow@shawnigan.ca	3 youth volunteers

SECTION THREE - GENERAL

Highlights

- Everyone really came together to make this event a success. It was great to see the community involvement and the excellent turnout.
- The weather was fantastic!
- We had enough volunteers to set-up, greet moms, unpack and pack up again, facepaint, lead games, provide playlists and pick up dog poop.

- The SLCC staff person, Breann, was a fabulous leader of games and had the opportunity to promote summer recreation programs.

Recommendations

- Contact Parks Department to ensure park is available/permit required and sprinklers aren't set to go off.