

Shawnigan Parks and Recreation Commission  
Meeting Notes – Meeting held at Kerry Park Rec. Centre (social lounge)  
following Regional Recreation meeting  
April 16, 2009

Attendees: Margaret Symon, Bill Savage, Ken Cossey, Gerry Gutensohn, Trina White, Catherine Whittome, Betty Lord, Lori Treloar (scribe)

Motion to approve Minutes from 04Mar09. Moved. Seconded. Approved.

Andy Glover has resigned from the commission due to work issues. Thank you to Andy for the contribution to date.

The final draft of the Parks and Trails master plan is now being reviewed by T Soroka and B Farquhar at CVRD Parks.

Thank you to the members who came out to the Thain Road site visit. The trail corridor that was suggested is not favoured by the owner. His driveway will run alongside the proposed trail (he has liability concerns).  
The Coleman Road property will proceed with park designation in the wetland (riparian) areas. No viewing area is necessary because the road runs alongside the wetland.

New Business: Fuel reduction pilot project to commence this spring at Silvermine Trail (Gleneagles).

Park (trail) dedication considered at subdivision proposed at Baldy Mt Road and Sylvester.

Thank you to Catherine Whittome who is the volunteer coordinator for the Subaru Shawnigan Triathlon. She is looking for volunteers.

Thank you to Bill Savage who has agreed to provide boat safety for the Triathlon event.

West Shawnigan Lake Park. The CVRD would like gain management of this park. The commission expresses concern over the lack of consultation with the province regarding Crown parks in the area. The Shawnigan Lake Parks commission supports the CVRD's direction to assume an operation permit for the West Shawnigan Lake Park.

The Parks Commission was recently billed \$2000 to remove an old dock that had been deserted at Recreation Road. The CVRD should be advised that there is an issue with abandoned docks on the lake. People who build new docks and do not want to deal with their old docks are setting them free or tying them to public places on the lake. Who was the contractor at Recreation Rd. and what is the accountability for these docks? The local Commission cannot afford to remove docks that have been abandoned. At this time there is another abandoned dock tied to Memory Island. Waterfront owners should be

accountable for their old docks when they upgrade. The Commission should be informed if there will be a charge for removal.

Ken Cossey: the Parks worksheet has been posted. Construction for Phase 1 will start in the fall of 2009 for Shawnigan Hills. There will be Kerry Park redevelopment meetings starting next week. There are three information sessions proposed leading to a referendum in Oct or Nov. The first meeting is 21Apr09 at Kerry Park.

Bill Savage asked what the status is on the Meadowview property. Still in-camera.

Ken Cossey suggested that the CVRD should come out to do an orientation for the new members of the commission.

New commission members need information binders!

Adjourned at 8:55pm

Next meeting: May 21, 2009