Area D Parks Commission Meeting Minutes

Bench School, Cowichan Bay

June 15, 2009

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Kerrie Talbot, Donna Einarsson, Steve Garnett, Lori Iannidinardo, Danica Rice, Megan Stone, Val Townsend

Minutes from last meeting (May 25,2009) - corrected and forwarded to CVRD, Parks and Recreation

Correspondence

Report s: Recent events *Family Trail Trek* –Saturday June 6th - was well organized and enjoyed by all who attended

Upcoming events: *Eel grass restoration project* (June 27-28) -\$2000 was given to the Land Trust for this project from the CVRD

Cowichan Bay Boat Festival (June 27) – Permission was granted to close the boat launch for the festival.

New Business

1. South Cowichan Parks Commission Meeting – discussed 2nd commission member for SC Parks.

2. Grant applications – Lori forwards grant applications to Tanya Soroka for CVRD approval. Danica encouraged us to pursue federal grants at a local level. We need to prioritize our projects. Each grant must be tailored to the sponsor. Perhaps a summer student could help with proposal writing. Danica will forward websites and information to Donna.

Ongoing Business

1. Wilmot Rd. off road trail – Kerrie will email Ryan for an update on the plan for this trail. Lori is waiting for approval of this project from Ross Deveau.

2.Hecate Park Play Structure – Danica gave Brian F. the plan with a budget. Kerrie will ask Ryan to do a site visit.

3.Lisa Bell has made a request for a park bench dedication –Tanya has the information. Kerrie will do follow-up.

4. Theik Park – who's land?/need a maintenance group

5. Hayes Property – trail extension – need to ask Brian Farquhar about plans for this property.

6.Kennedy Lane – has to be left as is, according to Highways Dept./Danica will consult with Ross Deveau.

7. Trail signage - Bartlett, Ordano, and Stephanie's Stroll need name signs

8.Flo Ryan- fencing between Coverdale Watson Park and her property – is under consult.

9. Area D Parks Masterplan - Commission has acquisition funds for the master plan. Need set criteria.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m. Next meeting at 6:00 July 20,2009 in library @ Maritime Center. Kerrie will confirm location.