

Meeting Minutes
South Commission Parks Commission
Oct. 5, 2009
Cobblecinno's Cafe, Cobble Hill

Members Present:

Ian Sparshu, Chair – Cobble Hill

Brian Farquhar – CVRD Parks

Gerry Giles – Area Director - Cobble Hill

Lori Iannidinardo – Area Director – Cowichan Bay

Ken Cossey – Area Director – Shawnigan Lake

Margaret Symon, Secretary – B

Dave Gall – A

June Laraman – A

Lynn Wilson – C

Kerrie Talbot – D

Val Townsend – D

Meeting opened 1900H

Minutes of May 18, 09 meeting reviewed.

1. Review of Boat Launch Survey

- Discussion of issues: limited parking, signage, estuary sensitivity, need for more kayaking access

- Brian Farquhar noted the significant investment at the boat launch

MOTION: (Dave Gal / Lynn Wilson):

➔ The South Cowichan Parks Commission requests CVRD Parks Dept. staff provide an update cost summary re: Cowichan Bay Boat Launch for the next commission meeting

MOTION CARRIED

--<\$10,000 from CVRD (due to large input of volunteer/donated labour/materials)

2. Review of Historic Cemetery Survey

- Discussion about existing usage vs potential usage; repair requirements.
 - Gerry Giles noted a community obligation to restore the facility to the proper level
 - good turnout at 1st Open House, May 2009
 - 2nd Open House: Sat. Jan. 23, 2010 1100H to 1300H

(Suggestion for open house: presentation by Tom Patterson)

MOTION: (Ian Sparshu, Gerry Giles):

➔ CVRD Parks Dept. should proceed with strong focus to develop viable plans for the Mill Bay Church/Cemetery.

MOTION CARRIED

3. Dog Park

- General discussion on existing usage and requested upgrades (i.e., small dog area, assistance-parking, restroom building)
 - Brian Farquhar: review long-term plan in order to determine best use of funds

4. Cenotaph

- South Cowichan community pleased with upgrades to Cenotaph – the cenotaph is important to the entire S. Cowichan area

MOTION: (Margaret Symon / Ken Cossey):

➔ The South Cowichan Parks Commission assume operational costs (from Cobble Hill Parks and Rec. Commission) of the Cobble Hill Cenotaph, contingent to costs.

MOTION CARRIED

5. Budget

- Brian Farquhar provided summary of 2010 S. Cowichan Parks Community Park Budget:
 - Commission endorsed focusing funding on Mill Bay Historic Church/Cemetery

MOTION: (Kerrie Talbot, Gerry Giles):

➔ Budget as presented be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

Other Items:

- Funding/maintenance at Bright Angel Park a function of 5 EA's (A,B,C,D,E)
- Valleyview Rest-stop area needs clean-up

Meeting adjourned 2115H

Next meeting:

- 2 Nov. 2009 7 pm Cobblecinno's