

Meeting Minutes
Shawnigan Lake Parks & Recreation Commission
June 18, 2009, SLCC Lounge

Called meeting to order at 7 pm (following site visit to Renfrew Road)

Present: Trina White (scribe), Bill Savage, Ken Cossey, Margaret Symon (chair), Betty Lord, Gerry Gutensehn, Al Brunet, Lori Trealor

CVRD staff in attendance: Ryan Dias

Guests: Dave and Cathy Alder

Approved meeting minutes from April 16.09 & May 21.09

Old Business:

Parks & Trails Master Plan Update: Brian Farquhar provided a memo stating that the Master plan is delayed due to the amount of time CVRD Parks Dept. has been spending on grants and applications. The master plan should be completed in the near future; final drafts will be circulated to commission members prior to our July meeting. Commission needs to review the Memo "Update on Shawnigan Lake Parks & Trails Master Plan Completion" and provide feedback (vis-à-vis the Master Plan).

Silvermine Trail Detour: Temporary detour trail between Shawnigan Beach Estates and Silvermine Estates completed by CVRD Parks summer crew; signed, and already in good use.

Subaru Triathlon: The event was a great success. The weather was good; over 400 athletes competed this year. Several commission members volunteered to make the event a success. Small amount of litter left at TCT Trail/W. Shawnigan Lake Park/roadway cleaned by commission member volunteers and CVRD Parks maintenance crew.

Shawnigan Hills Phase 1: The commission now has the option to look at completing phase one or spend this same money on changing the field to a turf field. The commission has asked the CVRD to research the costs and maintenance of a turf field for our next meeting. If we decide to go any further we would have to have an open house in the fall with all user groups.

Ryan Dias explained that the sports fields have recently received maintenance upgrading; there are some hard spots that will be fixed through a coordinated plan of irrigation/fertilisation.

Bob-O-Link connecting Trail – Dan Brown: Trail work done this spring. The trail is about ½ km long.

Water Safety: Mason's, Gov Wharf, Old Mill: Long Booms are getting replaced with Buoys. The CRVD will review the work done along with Bill. Need to ensure that the buoys are tied off so that they do not slide.

New Business

Silvermine Trail and Park Fuel Reduction Pilot Project/JOP: CVRD/DNC/KFC received JOP grant for trail building/fuel reduction in parks. KFC crew scheduled to commence work at Silvermine Trail/Park this fall.

Renfrew Road Property: In Camera

Youth Info Kiosk – Shawnigan Wharf Park: Service Canada will be setting up a one day booth in July to promote work programs with the youth. Commission endorses this project.

Picnic Table: Parks has donated a picnic table to the Shawnigan Cemetery from the request of the Lions club.

Memory Island. Continued problem with overnight camping/campfires. RCMP will be contacted again.

Security Patrols at Shawnigan Lake Parks. In recognition of the number of high use public parks and lakefront, more funding required. Area Directors will be asked to support proposal for more funding.

Organization: Ken Cossey will be organizing a meeting between all commission, Parks, Residents, Community Centre, and Business. The focus of this meeting will be to open up communication between all commissions and work along side each other on projects.

Parks Mandate: Ken Cossey encouraged Parks and Recreation Commission to focus on park and recreation issues and to look positively to the future.

Meeting adjourned. Next Meeting July 16. SLCC.