

MINUTES - Electoral Area B – Shawnigan Lake Parks Commission June 23, 2016 (Watershed Office) 7 pm

Attendees: Sarah Malerby, Sonia Furstenau, Gaileen Flaman, Margaret Symon, Al Brunet, Mark Neufeld and Catherine Whittome

Village Core Delegation Presentation (Team members: Lori Treloar, Marcie)

CVRD Tanya Soroka

Shared that their thinking was that if one thing could happen for our community, it is Elsie Miles at the core of the village.

Village Core committee was struck.

Christine Westland's thesis identified what we had already.

Priorities:

Green space came out as the most important thing.

Shade Trees

Expansion of museum (now approved by CVRD)

Water feature (as long as it's natural and takes into account drought conditions re. climate change)

Multi-purpose structure

Lots of benches

Opportunities for "sustainable play"

Motion The Parks Commission accept the conceptual plan as presented by the Shawnigan Village Committee and to continue to work in collaboration with the next phases with the CVRD and the Village Committee.

Moved by Gaileen Flaman Seconded by Catherine Whittome carried unanimously

Recommendation that we look further into collaboration with the Timber Framers Guild and Shawnigan Eco Village.

Cara Smith presented on her concerns over the changing nature of her residential area on Galland Road (by the bridge) and is looking for support to make the park more visible with signage and potentially a fence (a low split rail fence was suggested). There are 17 homes in the strata and most have children. Concern about the speed of cars as well.

Motion The Park Commission lend its support for the Galland Rd community to see safety and visibility upgrades to the Galland Rd Park, and for the CVRD to work with the community to find opportunities for volunteer contributions.

Moved by Al Brunet. Seconded by Sarah Malerby. carried unanimously

It was recognized that Gerry Gustensohn, who served on the Parks Commission, passed away this year. Gerry had put a great deal of time into the Parks Master Plan. Margaret Symon will send a card to the family, on behalf of the Area B Parks Commission.

Gaileen Flaman presented on the Mother's Day Picnic. Support from CVRD Parks Dept. great, but unlike other years (when Gaileen was directly involved with the organization) information didn't come out until a week before. As a result, the turnout was not as good as usual. It's important for next year that poster and image are available a month in advance as well as an add in the Focus.

Sarah Malerby reported that the Triathlon went very well, although numbers were lower due to a number of other triathlon events, it was very well supported especially with the kids event.

Al mentioned that we could check on the public dock as far as safety is concerned.

Kim from the Community Centre plans to meet with the Village Committee to look at collaborating with the vision for Elsie Miles.

Next meeting: September 15, 2016, for a regular meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm