AREA D PARKS COMMISSION

Minutes of September 30, 2013 Cowichan Estuary Nature Centre

Call to order: 6:30 pm

Present: Kerrie Talbot, Roger Southern, Dave Nisbet, Steve Garnett, Bruce Clarke,

Lori Iannidinardo Area D Director, Brian Farquhar CVRD Parks & Trails Manager

Guest: Cheryl Delbridge

Approval of Agenda: Moved & Carried

Approval of previous minutes: Moved & Carried

Business arising from previous minutes: item #7 – WCAAP in discussions with CVRD staff indicated they are not interested in pursuing project suggestions put forward by Area D Parks Commission.

Reports – Brian Farquhar

Summer Playground program

- increase in attendance over 2012
- Coverdale Watson most popular of Areas A B C D summer playground programs.
- Age 4-5 and 6-12 programs most successful with school age running 9:30 noon and 3-5 yr. in afternoon.
- Cost to Commission for the programs in 2013 was \$8411. for 10 week program.
- Recommend budget increase to \$8500 for 2014.

Motion: To support Summer Playground Program in 2014

Motion approved

Ongoing Business

Coverdale Watson Park upgrades- in 2014, complete site plan update with help of working group of public volunteers, Parks Commission Chair & CVRD staff

Motion: Commission supports establishment of a working group to proceed

With Coverdale Watson Park revitalization project

Motion approved

Wilmot Rd /Cowichan Bay Rd intersection

Ryan Dias (CVRD) in discussion with Mike Pearson (MOTI) reports no interest in upgrading from MOTI.

Wilmot Rd off road walking trail

Estimated cost for complete trail is \$55k +

Request detailed assessment of cost for Pavenham to Vee Rd. portion of trail.

Koksilah Rd. to Ordano Rd. trail

Waiting for formal confirmation from owners

Interest expressed in partnership potential to plant a native bee friendly hedgerow along the trail.

Kimpfel proposed subdivision

Motion: To accept 5% cash in lieu re: Kimpfel proposed subdivision **Motion approved**

2014 Parks & Trails Commission Budget discussions with Brian Farquhar

Motion: To approve 2014 proposed budget with amendments as per discussion **Motion approved**

Meeting adjourned: 8:36 pm

Next meeting: Monday, October 21, 2013 6:30pm @ Cowichan Estuary Nature Centre