

Minutes of the Special Parks Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, February 1, 2011, at 1:00 p.m. in the Regional District Board Room, 175 Ingram Street, Duncan, BC

PRESENT

Director Mel Dorey, Chair
Director Ian Morrison, Vice-Chair
Director Loren Duncan
Director Gerry Giles
Director Brian Harrison
Director Lori Iannidinardo
Director Phil Kent
Director Dave Haywood
Director Klaus Kuhn

Absent: Director Ken Cossey

CVRD STAFF

Ron Austen, General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture Department
Warren Jones, Corporate Administrative Officer
Brian Farquhar, Manager, Parks and Trails Division
Mary Anne McAdam, Recording Secretary

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA**

The Chair noted changes to the agenda, which included two items of New Business

It was Moved and Seconded

That the agenda, be amended with the addition of the following one item of New Business:

NB1 Cross Country Mountain Bike Event Request – Cobble Hill Mountain Regional Recreation Area

NB2 Verbal update on the Heart/Stocking Lake Regional Park property that was recently purchased.

and that the agenda, as amended, be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

M1 - MINUTES

It was Moved and Seconded

That the Minutes of the Parks Committee Meeting of November 10, 2010, be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

STAFF REPORTS

**SR1 – Cowichan Valley
Trail Completion
Initiative Update**

Staff report, dated January 25, 2011, prepared by Dan Brown, Parks Trails Technician, regarding an update on the Cowichan Valley Trail Completion Initiative.

It was Moved and seconded

That this report be received and that it be noted that the efforts of staff to secure extra funding for this project has been exceptional and appreciated.

MOTION CARRIED

SR2 – Historic Kinsol Trestle Rehabilitation Project Update

Staff report dated February 1, 2011, prepared by Brian Farquhar, Manager, Parks and Trails Division, regarding an update on the historic Kinsol Trestle rehabilitation project.

It was Moved and Seconded
That this report be received for information purposes.

MOTION CARRIED

SR3 – Rotary Club of South Cowichan involvement in Kinsol Project

Staff report dated February 1, 2011, prepared by Graham Gidden, Parks Planning Technician, regarding the Rotary Club of South Cowichan (Mill Bay) and its involvement with the historic Kinsol Trestle project.

It was Moved and Seconded
That participation of the Rotary Club of South Cowichan (Mill Bay) for the construction of an approximate 450 metre public pathway and viewing/rest areas on the north side of the Kinsol Trestle site be endorsed.

MOTION CARRIED

SR4 – Spectacle Lake Park – Proposed Entrance Improvements

Staff report dated January 26, 2011, prepared by Ryan Dias, Parks Operations Superintendent, regarding proposed entrance improvements to Spectacle Lake Park.

It was Moved and Seconded
That staff revisit with BC Parks, a more equitable cost-sharing arrangement for the proposed park entrance road improvements at Spectacle Lake Park.

MOTION CARRIED

SR5 - Regional Parks Budget Review

Staff report dated January 27, 2011, prepared by Brian Farquhar, Manager, Parks and Trails Division, regarding the Regional Parks budget review.

It was Moved and Seconded
That this report be received for information purposes.

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

NB1 – Cross Country Mountain Bike Race Event Request – Cobble Hill Mountain Recreation Area

Staff report dated February 1, 2011, prepared by Dan Brown, Parks Trails Technician, regarding Cross Country Mountain Bike Race Event Request for Cobble Hill Mountain Regional Recreation Area

It was Moved and Seconded
That the application from The Evert Cycling Club to hold a cross-country mountain bike race on designated trails within the Cobble Hill Mountain Regional Recreation Area on Saturday, March 27, 2011, be approved subject to the following conditions:

- a. Proof of the \$5,000,000 liability insurance that the company has to cover the event which also identifies the CVRD and Province of BC named as additional insured.
- b. A damage deposit of \$500 must be provided to the CVRD for confirmation that the company will clean up all garbage

- and fix any damaged trails on the race route upon completion of the event and that all racers will stay on designated trails identified on lands managed by the CVRD.
- c. Confirmation that there will be notices of the event posted along the trail in advance of, and during the day of, the event that will advise other trail users of the race.
 - d. Alpine Stables is notified at least two weeks in advance of the event, by the event organizers, of the trails to be used, to allow sufficient time for equestrian riding routes to be modified for the day of the event.
 - e. That both portable toilets within Quarry Nature Park are pumped out and cleaned following the race at the cost of the race organizers, payment of which will be provided by cheque along with the damage deposit.
 - f. That the Cobble Hill Parks Commission has endorsed the use of Quarry Nature Park in Cobble Hill as a staging area for the event.

MOTION CARRIED

**NB2 – Stocking Lake
Park Update**

Brian Farquhar provided a verbal update on Heart/Stocking Lake Regional Park with respect to including in the 2011 Parks and Trails Division work program, preparation of an interim regional park management plan for this newly acquired site.

Report received for information purposes.

RECESS

It was Moved and Seconded
That the Committee recess (recessed at 2:17 p.m.)

MOTION CARRIED

The Committee reconvened at 2:25 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

It was Moved and Seconded
That the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with the *Community Charter* Part 4, Division 3, Section 90(1), Subsections as noted in accordance with each agenda item.

MOTION CARRIED

The Committee moved into closed session at 2:25 p.m.

RISE

It was Moved and Seconded
That the Committee rise without report.

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:03 p.m.

Chair

Recording Secretary