



**MINUTES OF ELECTORAL AREA I (YOUBOU/MEADE CREEK)
PARKS COMMISSION MEETING**

DATE: May 8, 2012
TIME: 7:00 pm

MINUTES of the Area I (Youbou/Meade Creek) Parks Commission meeting held on the above noted date and time at Youbou Lanes, Youbou BC. Called to order by Chairperson Marcia Stewart at 7:03 pm.

PRESENT:

Chairperson: Marcia Stewart
Vice-Chairperson: Gerald Thom
Members: Dave Charney, Dan Nickel

ALSO PRESENT:

Director: Pat Weaver
Recording Secretary: Tara Daly

REGRETS:

Gillian Scott, Ken Wilde

AGENDA:

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be amended with the addition of a Closed Session item in accordance with the *Community Charter* Part 4, Division 3, Section 90 and that the agenda, as amended, be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

MINUTES:

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of April 10, 2012 be accepted as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES:

- Safety Audit – CVRD staff will have a report for the June meeting
- M. Stewart will contact Vicki Marrs re: July 1st festivities at Arbutus Park

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

AREA DIRECTOR REPORT ~ DIRECTOR P. WEAVER

- Attended the fundraiser at the Youbou Church

- Reported that resident Ted Leischner is concerned with some noxious weeds in his area and is willing to help clear them out; G. Thom will contact
- Evelyn Hunter, a recently new resident, is interesting in becoming involved with the area
- Look for an update write-up in the Gazette next week from Director Weaver
- A program for dust control through Youbou will be announced on May 15th
- Two critical intersection streetlights will be installed on Deer Road
- Shades will be installed on two or three lights in the Cedar Road area to help with light shining directly into homes
- Still working on the intersection of Youbou Road and Meade Creek Road

Commission members comments:

- It was suggested that the CVRD Building Inspector should do a walkabout in the area of 9176 Meade Creek Road specifically checking for light installation on the beach and possible renovations/building without permits
- G. Thom thanked Director Weaver for the \$500 grant-in-aid for the Cowichan Lake & River Stewardship Society to help with informative signage

COWICHAN LAKE RECREATION ~ LINDA BLATCHFORD, MANAGER

- Spring Programs have had some good registrations so are running but there have been some cancellations due to low numbers
- The Spring Bazaar in Youbou scheduled for May 10th was cancelled because of low registration for tables
- The Youbou Regatta will be on August 11th and L. Blatchford is again asking for volunteers to help with set-up/clean-up and in the concession; G. Thom and wife, Caroline, D. Nickel (truck, if he still has it), D. Charney (if he is here), M. Stewart, and Director Weaver all expressed interest in helping out – Director Weaver noted that she has asked that the Cowichan Lake float be in the parade
- Lake Days dance is June 9th; \$15/person featuring a Video Dance Party
- Me 'n' You Nites Society has cancelled all the dates they had booked in the Youbou Hall; they are looking for more people to help with the organizing; Lois Gage is the contact person for anyone who is interested
- Ice in the arena will be removed May 14th with Dry Floor activities starting at that time; the Roller Derby Girls Team will move to the arena from the Youbou Hall while the ice is out

CHAIRPERSON REPORT ~ M. STEWART

None

CVRD REPORT ~ RYAN LENDRUM

- Nantree Park – float will be repaired by the end of May
- Little League Park – outfield fencing has been repaired
- Summer Crew will be working on the trails of Bald Mountain, Marble Bay Park, and Price Park

~ RYAN DIAS

- Maintenance Contractor has started the season; washrooms in the parks have been cleaned and are open (G. Thom noted the washrooms at Mile 77 Park have been very well cleaned)
- The Gas Tax funding grant money went to Bright Angel Park in Electoral Area E; Area I was not successful

- There is \$16 000 in the maintenance budget – hydro pole at Arbutus Park needs to be replaced (Director Weaver will investigate why the Parks Commission has to pay for the replacement) and the irrigation at Little League Park needs work

OLD BUSINESS:

1. R. Dias needs to finalize details of the Safety Audit with staff
2. The land swap in Price Park is close to completion; Area I Parks will be paying the costs of the survey and legal fees although members remembered the deal to be split 50/50 between the land owner and Area I Parks
3. CVRD Staff will be going forward with brushing out of the beaches in Price Park first sending Section 9 notification to the Ministry of Environment

NEW BUSINESS:

1. M. Stewart will write a letter to BPOE (Elks) asking for a donation towards improvements at Arbutus Park; she will gather information focusing on children
2. Park walkabout on May 22, meeting at 9am at Arbutus Park for any members who are interested

8:03 PM

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.

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved and seconded that the Commission rise without report.

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm