

MINUTES OF THE AREA F PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION

Honeymoon Bay Hall April 1, 2010

Called to Order at 19:02. David Lowther in the chair,

Present: David Lowther, Sharon Wilcox, Dave Darling, Carolyn LeBlanc, Brian Peters, Peter van Buiten, Ian Morrison, Bill Bakkan.

MSC: to approve the agenda.

MSC: to accept the Previous Minutes.

Correspondence

From: Brian Farquhar 03/18/10 re request from Lake Cowichan for signage and sanitary facilities at Little Beach.

MSC: to receive and table until the May meeting.

Report from the Chair:

The expansion of the Mesachie Lake ball field is under way, resulting in the driveway being cut off on either side of Community Hall. We need to have individual project plans into staff by mid September to go forward for 2011, as well as a longer term plan.

Park assignments: Central Park North: Bill Bakkan and Brian Peters
Central Park South: Shirley Burden
Bear Lake Park: Sharon Wilcox and Carolyn LeBlanc
Mesachie Park: David Darling and David Lowther
Lily Beach: Ray Wear and Peter van Buiten

MSC: to adopt the report.

Report from the Regional Director:

Was not submitted in writing.

MSC: to accept the report.

Lawn Bowling Committee:

The committee is in the early stages of refurbishing the present **Lawn Bowling Green** at the north end of the playground in **Central Park**. We are attempting to stimulate local interest and will be seeking advice and local support to organize a club.

The soil condition at the location has been checked. The top 6 to 8" is a good basis to install new greens. The present surface would have to be removed and top soil added. Additional projects would include lighting for evening use, upgrading of the existing bowling hut, chain link fencing for security and safety reasons and wooden benches.

MSC: to accept the report.

Boat Launch Committee:

We have read and studied the history of this project and have visited the site numerous times including the taking of offshore soundings. In consultation with the other committee members, we now believe a new direction is more feasible based on the following factors:

- Most environmental concerns would be alleviated by installing a pier only without a boat launch
- Committee concern that only the smallest boats will be able to launch
- Inadequate Area F Parks project funding for some years to come

Proposal (revised): Pier only situation should be pursued. If the desire is still there for a launch ramp in the future, that can be a separate project at that time.

In conjunction with installation of a pier up grading of the facilities at Central Beach should be addressed:

- Lighting for security and for evening use of the park
- Grading and re-gravelling the parking area
- Plantings along the north side of South Shore Rd. to enhance the 'green' nature of the park
- Signage facing the water informing boaters of the limits on docking and for the listing of local businesses and sites

MSC: to accept the report

MSC: to **adjourn** at 20:07.

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ATTENTION: Brian Farquhar

Dear Mr. Farquhar:

Re: Request for Appropriate Signage and Facilities for Visitors

You can probably appreciate that the subject of the Cowichan River and its use gets its fair attention by the public at large and both the Regional District and the Town. The issue we both face is appropriate signage and public facilities in both local jurisdictions for recreational users.

It's our hope that we collectively can make a difference. It takes the combined efforts of all affected residents in the Town and Areas "F" and "I" to come up with effective and common solutions for the Cowichan Lake and the Cowichan River. With that end in mind, we are also requesting that consideration be given to the installation of portable toilet units in areas that are easily accessible to users of the Cowichan River especially Little Beach. Appropriate signage to indicate these facilities would also be useful.

We look forward to a favourable response from you and hope we can jointly address the needs of the recreational users of Cowichan River and Cowichan Lake.

Yours truly,

Joseph A. Fernandez
Chief Administrative Officer

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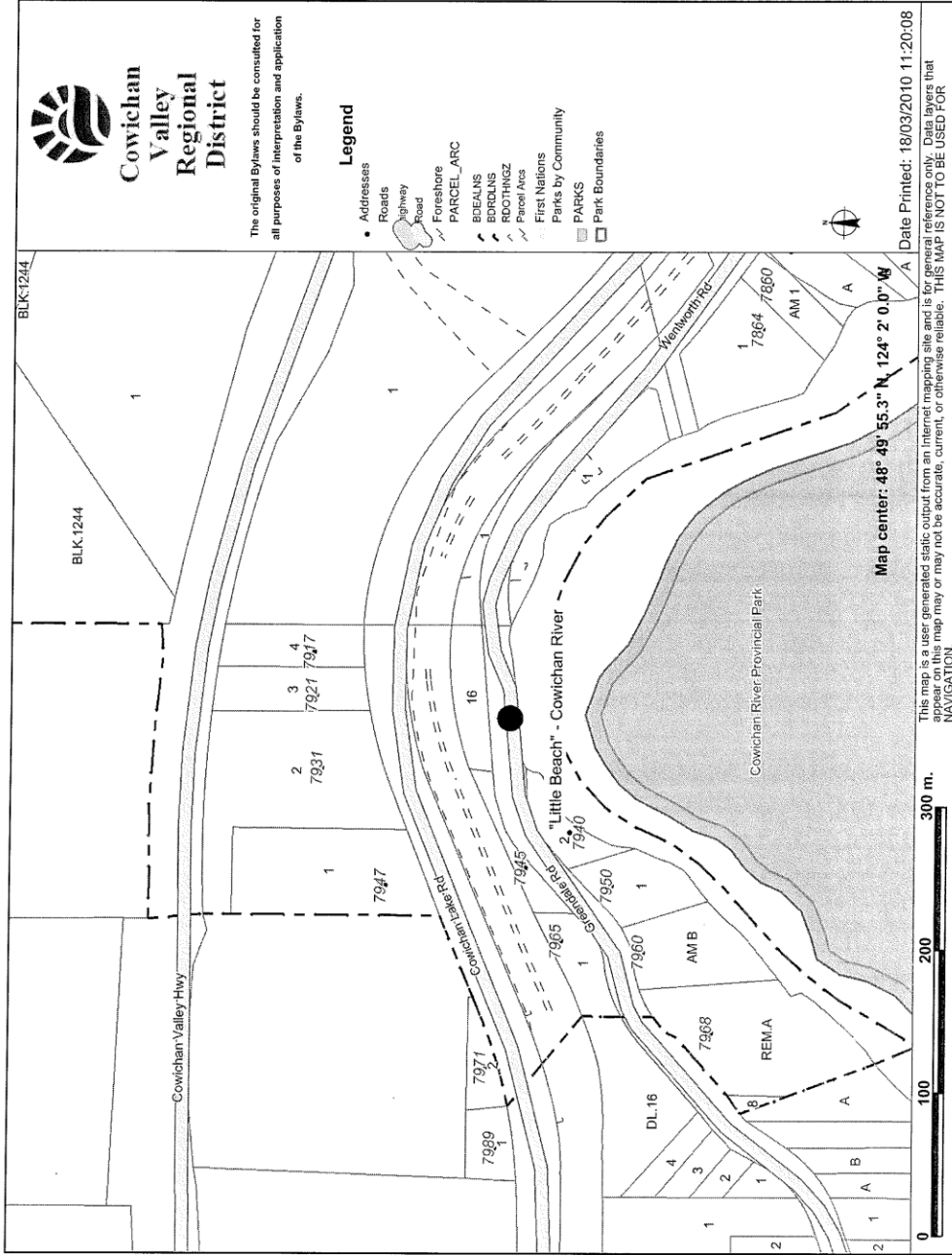


Cowichan Valley Regional District

The original Bylaws should be consulted for all purposes of interpretation and application of the Bylaws.

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