

Minutes of the Cobble Hill Parks Commission meeting held at 7 pm on Thursday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> 2014 in the Youth Hall on Watson Avenue in Cobble Hill.

Those present: Chair John Krug, Bill Turner, Gord Dickenson, Al Garside, Lynn Wilson, Jennifer Symons, Ruth Koehn, Annie Ingraham, Alan Seal (7:55 pm) and Director Gerry Giles.

Apologies: Dennis Cage

### Agenda:

1. The agenda was approved with the addition of the Manley Creek and Hatch Point trails. Before proceeding with the agenda Chair Krug commented on the untimely death of Peter Yates. Peter had worked with the commission to secure an area to create a trail off of Lefran Road. It was agreed this work should continue and the trail dedicated in Peter's memory.
2. A delegation led by Michelle Redfern, Erin and Dave Arrowsmith along with Cobble Hill Ecole Elementary School's Roots & Shoots Club members Kenya Bontkes, Quin Norman, Geoff Arrowsmith and Kate Arrowsmith were in attendance. Club members showed a power point presentation for consideration by members of the Commission. (attached). Their presentation focused on work they would like to do on the trail that connects Learning way with Fairfield Road. The Roots & Shoots members expressed a desire to work with the commission to create an interpretive area in the forest by identifying unique trees, plants and fungi along the existing pathway. Questions were posed by commission members. After the question and answer period the delegation left the meeting.
3. The minutes of the regular Cobble Hill Parks Commission meeting of November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013 were adopted as circulated.

### Business Arising:

The following items arose from the minutes of the last meeting:

- The maintenance contract for Area C has been awarded to Easy Living Contracting for a price lower than last year; however, this year's contact also includes the new washroom area. It was reported the washroom was out of toilet paper over the Christmas holidays.
- The new foot bridge design for the Cobble Hill Common has not been undertaken by Graham Gidden but it was noted Graham is currently working on the design for Bright Angel Park.

- Dan Brown has informed John and Gerry that Cleasby Bike Park will be redesigned this spring. Dan will work with interested local youth to bring this about.
- The estimated cost of \$8,000 for LED lighting in the Cobble Hill Common makes it unattainable at this time. This item will be investigated further.

Reports: – None

Correspondence:

A letter was received from the Shawnigan Cobble Hill Farmers Institute and Agricultural Society requesting permission to use the Cobble Hill Common for the 105<sup>th</sup> Cobble Hill Fair on August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Use of the Common will be needed on the 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of August to permit setup and tear down. It was

Moved/second

it be recommended to the CVRD that permission be granted for the Fair's use of the Cobble Hill Common with the same conditions of use as in previous years.

MOTION CARRIED

Unfinished business:

An update on Boatswain Park was provided by Lynn Wilson. Lynn reviewed the TOR she developed and these were distributed to the commission (attached). Questions were asked and answered after which it was,

Moved/seconded

that the TOR be approved for Boatswain Park and that the subcommittee previously appointed by the CVRD Board be convened.

MOTION CARRIED

New business:

The following items were discussed under new business:

- The date of the AGM was set for Monday, February 17, 2014. More inviting advertising should be developed to ensure a good turnout at the meeting.
- A discussion took place about finding an accommodating day/week for Parks Commission meetings. This item was tabled to the next meeting.
- The design for Historical Wall was presented for discussion. Engineered drawings are needed before the work can begin. Questions about designed were asked and answered after which it was,

Moved/second

that the Cobble Hill Parks Commission approve the design and location of the historical wall proposed for the Cobble Hill Common.

MOTION CARRIED

- It was reported the trails in Manley Creek Park and along the Hatch Point Road are in need of repair. It was agreed those commission members who are available will meet at 10 am on Saturday at Hatch Point Road just off of Telegraph Road to walk the trails and outline any work that needs to be done.
- Moved/second  
that the Cobble Hill Parks and Recreation Commission endorse in principle the proposal by the Ecole Cobble Hill Elementary School Roots & Shoots Club and noted that following approval by the CVRD commission members are prepared to work with the Roots & Shoots members to design interpretive signs, assist with naming along with a variety of other items covered during the presentation.

MOTION CARRIED

4. Adjournment was at 8:52 pm. It was agreed the next Cobble Hill Parks Commission Meeting will be held at the call of the Chair.

---

John Krug, Chair