



**South Cowichan Parks Commission Meeting  
Mill Bay Community League Hall Boardroom  
October 7, 2015 @ 6:00 pm  
Minutes**

**Present:** Regional Directors Kerry Davies (Area A), Sonia Furstenau (Area B),  
Matteus Clement (Area C), Allison Nicholson (Area E)  
Brian Farquhar – CVRD Parks and Trails Manager  
Margaret Symon – Chair, Lynn Wilson, John Krug, David Gall,

Chair Symon called the meeting to order at 6:16 pm.

Moved/seconded that the agenda is adopted as amended. Carried

Moved/seconded that the minutes of the October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013 be adopted as read.

Carried

**Delegations:**

Sierra Action presented the concept of workout stations in parks as an alternative to conventional gyms and workout studios. She referenced the newly installed workout station at Bright Angel Park as an example. After her presentation, The Commission recommended that Kerry Park may be the best fit for this installation and it was suggested that Sierra attend the next Kerry Park meeting to discuss the idea further.

**Business Arising From the Minutes:**

- Moved/seconded *that the South Cowichan Parks Bylaw be amended to read two (2) members from each of the Parks Commissions instead of the Commission Chair and one other member. Carried*
- Bright Angel Park: Brian Farquhar reported that all work is up to date at Bright Angel Park, but that the suspension bridge, caretaker's house, cook houses and storage sheds are still all original from 40 years ago. The suspension bridge posts will require replacement as they are showing signs of deterioration, but they are inspected yearly by a qualified engineering firm to ensure public safety.
- South Cowichan Of Leash Dog Park: Moved/seconded *that the Cobble Hill Parks Commission be permitted to make the following modifications to the Dog Park: Remove the picnic table, relocate the bulletin board parallel to and against the west fence, remove the original, small container for the dog waste bags, remove the steel post supporting the 2 dog bag dispensers and mount them on the each end of the shelter. Carried*

**Correspondence:** 0

**Information:** 0

**Reports:** 0

**New Business:** Mill Bay Historical Church – Staff reported that electrical work remains to be completed and Staff seeks clarity on utilization for the building before any further funds are spent. A general discussion of possible uses followed. The next South Cowichan Parks meeting will take place at the church to facilitate further discussion of this matter.

**Budget:** Brian Farquhar displayed grace and charm in leading the South Cowichan Parks Commission through a riveting explanation of the draft budget. Moved/seconded *that the \$16,000 from minor capital projects in Bright Angel Park be split to allocate \$6,000 towards the suspension bridge renovations and \$10,000 toward invasive species management.* Carried

### **Closed Session**

**Adjournment:** 8:15 pm

**Next Meeting:** At the call of the Chair.

Minutes submitted by Matteus Clement