

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Area H Parks Commission held at North Oyster community Centre May 26, 2012.

PRESENT: Chairperson Bruce McNab, Don Pigott, Snuffy Ladret, Brad Uytterhagen, Secretary Barbara Waters, Area Director Mary Marcotte

ABSENT: Murray McNab

Chairperson Bruce Mason called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA**

**Moved
Seconded**

That the agenda be approved as amended.

MOTION CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF
MINUTES**

The minutes of the regular meeting of April 26, 2012 were adopted as circulated.

**BUSINESS
ARISING FROM
THE MINUTES**

Please see Director's Report

**REPORTS:
R1 Director's
Report**

- Community Fisheries. Bob Grant has expressed interest in conducting a 6-month project in Area H parks. He will require a letter of intent from the CVRD and a detailed work plan, which can be modified if required. Mary has had preliminary discussions with Ryan Dias. Parks commission members would like to formulate the plan, and will be conducting a parks tour in the near future for this purpose.
- Raise Road beach access. Department of Highways has confirmed that this public access requires removal of plantings that obscure the path.

**Moved
Seconded**

That the Area H Parks Commission request and recommend that the CVRD obtain a legal opinion regarding the beach access at Raise Road.

MOTION CARRIED

A discussion ensued regarding timing required to prepare this access for 2012 summer use. It was suggested that concrete steps may be required as there is a steep low bank above the high water mark.

- Elliott's Beach. The contractor is doing a good job of refurbishing this park but requires review of decisions made at April 5 meeting. The following were confirmed:

Bullet 6 correction: alder stumps on west side of path to be cut to the ground. Blackberries have been cut back sufficiently.

Bullet 7: re circle garden: confirmed, no change.

Bullet 8: remove from list.

Bullet 9: confirmed, contractor to proceed with grey stain.

Bullet 10: confirmed, contractor to proceed with Home Hardware latex stain, colour “horse chestnut”.

Bullet 13: re steps to beach; deferred to next meeting.

Bullet 14: re straightening bench; confirmed, Don Pigott to proceed.

Bullet 15: confirmed, but not to be done by contractor.

Bullet 16: Mary Marcotte to follow up re signage.

**R2 Yellow Point
Park**

Still looking fine. Parks commission members to tour soon.

**R3 Blue Heron
Park**

This park continues to be in good condition and well used.

R4 Raven Park

We received a report from a neighbour that there appeared to be serious erosion on the waterfront bank of this park. Chairperson Bruce Mason reports he inspected and determined that the next-door neighbour has built out a retaining wall that makes it appear that the rest of the bank has eroded, but in fact the bank at Raven Park appears much as previously. Tree is still standing.

R5 Elliott’s Beach

Please see director’s report.

R6 Michael Lake

No report.

R7 Trillium Park

Brad Uytterhagen reported that a couple of yards of gravel are needed on the Chandler Road side.

**R8 Ladysmith
Parks and
Recreation**

No report.

NEXT MEETING **Thursday, June 28, 2012, 6:30 p.m., North Oyster Community Hall.**

ADJOURNMENT **Moved
Seconded**

That the meeting be adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m

Barbara Waters, Secretary
May 30, 2012