

# Galiano Island Parks and Recreation Commission

April 2, 2015 at 8:30 am  
Galiano Island Trust/CRD Office (23 Madrona)

## MINUTES

**Present:** Betty Kennedy (Chair), Ed Andrusiak, Dora FitzGerald, Allan Forget, Mike Hoebel, Gloria Schmidt, Mario Szijarto, Dave Howe (CRD Director), Paul LeBlond (CRD Director Alternate & Galiano Trails Society), Jennifer Margison (Recording Secretary)

**Regrets:**, Don McKinnon (Treasurer)

### 1. Call to Order

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The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

### 2. Approval of Agenda

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**Gloria moved and Ed seconded that the agenda be approved.**

**CARRIED**

### 3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

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**Mike moved and Allan seconded that the minutes from the previous meeting be approved as amended.**

**CARRIED**

### 4. Delegations

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None.

### 5. Correspondence

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None.

### 6. Primary Business

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#### 6.1 Master Plan Printing

50 copies of the Master Plan have been received and will be distributed to the Trustees, the Library, the Islands Trust Office, the Conservancy & the Galiano Trails Society. Mike will deliver copies. The Plan is online and available to the public.

#### 6.2 Property Tax

Nothing further.

#### 6.3 Chamber of Commerce Map & Guide

Betty talked with several people who were concerned about heavy use and parking at Morning Beach and has requested MoT provide more parking signs.

The Chamber map does not provide shore access information and we would be able to get more information into their brochure - could have a reference to our map in their brochure.

**Mike moved and Dave seconded that the GIPRC become a member of the Chamber of Commerce at a cost of \$90/year and have a listing in the brochure**

**under Recreation.**  
**CARRIED.**

Allan will follow through on the membership. Noted that when our brochure is next printed, it should say **Trails, Shore Access and Community Parks Map** on the front.

#### **6.4 MoU – Galiano Trails Society**

Question about who pays for the GPS work on trails and the issue of volunteers working in the parks may necessitate a MoU between the two organizations. Ed and Mike will work with the Trails Society to draft a MoU.

#### **6.5 Sign Inventory**

Ed and Allan did a cleanup of the storage shed (447 signs in the shed) and found minutes from previous years with some gaps that are now stored in the Islands Trust office. Suggestion to sell surplus signs when we have displays and can receive a credit from the sign companies who can reuse them. Missing minutes will be added to the archive.

#### **6.6 No Smoking Signs**

Four of five of the community parks now have signs. No signs will be put at the shore accesses.

#### **6.7 Whale Trail Update**

A tele-conference for the BC sites of the Whale Trail is being organized. Mike sent photos of the new J-pod baby off to the Whale Trail group to demonstrate that Active Pass would be a good inclusion as a site.

#### **6.8 Commonality Meeting**

The spring Commonality meeting will be May 6 on Mayne Island. Transportation will be arranged.

### **7. Reports**

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#### **7.1 Chair's Report**

No report.

#### **7.2 CRD Director's Report**

Dave Howe reported on a recent meeting of the Gulf Island Trustees and the Economic Development Commissions, including Saltspring Island, that some of the GIPRC Commissioners attended. Reported on collaboration that seems to be occurring in regard to transportation options between the islands.

#### **7.3 Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer was absent.

##### **7.3.1 Status of Accounts**

As of February 28, 2015 according to preliminary budget figures:

Parks Improvement	\$ spent	\$ balance
Parks Maintenance	\$ spent	\$ balance
Meeting Expenses	\$ spent	\$ balance
Recreation Funding	\$ spent	\$ balance

Recreation Meeting Expenses	0 spent	\$ balance
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### 7.3.2 Invoices to be Approved

None.

### 7.3.3 Report on Payment of Invoices

Michelle Fox	Winter trail inspection & maintenance	725.00
Galiano Trading	Misc. signs	72.43
Don McKinnon	Handrope	627.20
Peter Rabbitich	Skate park maintenance	175.00
Gina Wilson	Toilet maintenance	300.00
Peter Rabbitich	Skate park maintenance	150.00
Gina Wilson	Feb. Facility maintenance	250.00

### 7.3.4 Projected Future Expenditures

Environmental assessment DL79 \$

## 7.4 CRD Parks Report

None.

## 7.5 Shore Access Report

Allan reported on a letter received from the contractor re: the schedule for cleaning the toilets and that toilet paper seems to be stolen. Commission will rely on the contractor to clean as often as seems necessary. Question about hand sanitizer refills. Will check with Don on this.

Two contractors have indicated that they are not available for GIPRC work. The Commission will seek expressions of interest from other possible contractors. Ed will design and post a notice about available work to be posted and included in the Active Page and Betty will notify Don about having applications sent to him.

### 7.5.1 Wesley #9

On hold.

### 7.5.2 Linklater #61

Looked at two options to create more parking: clearing for \$500 without tree removal or more clearing for \$1000 plus tree removal costs. Permission would need to be sought from MoT for tree removal and question about whether MoT would remove the trees at their cost. Hydro should also be contacted re: nearby power lines. George Harris, Galiano's trustee, is planning to meet with a MoT rep. Betty will contact our trustee regarding our shore access parking issues and will contact Hydro.

### 7.5.3 Whiteware #5

Shaw is finished here and we can now proceed with development here.

#### **7.5.4 Cayzer #65**

As a post would need to be installed just for one small directional sign, this was not seen as necessary unless there are complaints from adjacent landowners. Branches pruned from a large cedar may help.

#### **7.5.5 Trincomali #37**

Allan to investigate.

#### **7.5.6 Dewinitz #50**

Nothing further.

#### **7.5.7 Gulfside #69**

Nothing further.

#### **7.5.8 Whipple #15**

Rope installed.

#### **7.5.9 Serenity #26**

Ed and Betty will meet with the adjacent landowners before proceeding with a survey.

#### **7.5.10 Other Shore Access Issues**

Question of logs that have washed in at the bottom of shore accesses i.e. Morning Beach and Gulf Drive. Will talk with the shore access steward about helping with some clearing at Gulf Drive and Betty will contact a contractor about chainsaw work at Morning Beach. Salamanca shore access sign is bent. Concern reported by a neighbour about oyster removal at Cayzer. Could install a sign a paralytic shellfish poisoning that would discourage this. Suggestion made to Allan to report on log buildup when doing sign rounds.

### **7.6 Trails Report**

#### **7.6.1 Ringlet**

Nothing further.

#### **7.6.2 Sturdies Bay**

Cleanup work will proceed on this trail.

#### **7.6.2 Other Trails issues**

None.

### **7.7 Parks Report**

#### **7.7.1 DL 79**

Mike reported that the park area has been GPS'd and an inventory completed of existing trails and roads. Looked at potential other routes and parking areas. Noted that power line clearing has been done on park property adjacent to the new road for the subdivision.

#### **7.7.2 Other Community Parks**

Nothing further.

### **7.8 Recreation Report**

Dora reported on a PAC request to change the use of the funding they received last year as the kayaking/canoeing event planned for the funding was unable to be held due to the shortened school term. Requested permission to redirect their funding to a Camp Thunderbird campout that will include kayaking/canoeing, just at a different venue. Approved by the Commission.

### **7.9 Volunteers Report**

Gloria suggests calling shore access volunteers, "park stewards" as this term is more commonly used. Looking for the volunteer registration forms. Reported on those who have committed to be park stewards and work they have done. She was congratulated on her excellent Active Page columns.

## **8. Projects**

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## **9. Other Business**

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### **9.1 Un-addressed Thoughts and Concerns (and any input from members of the public)**

None.

## **10. Date for Next Meeting**

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Thursday, May 7, 2015.

## **11. Adjournment**

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Ed moved and Don seconded adjournment at 10:30 am.