

SALTSPRING ISLAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Minutes of the PARC Planning Committee Meeting
Held February 14, 2011 at 7:00 pm in the
Portlock Park Meeting Room

Attendance: Commissioner Gregg Dow – Chair
Commissioner Dan Dickmeyer
Commissioner Richard Hayden
Commissioner Jane Horsburgh
Commissioner Stanley Shapiro
Garth Hendren, CRD Director

Staff: Kees Ruurs, Parks and Recreation Manager
Sarah Shugar, Recording Secretary

Excused: Commissioner Gayle Baker
Commissioner Robert Bosman
Commissioner Jon Suk

Delegation: Donald McLennan, Chair of SSI Transportation Commission
John Wakefield, SSI Transportation Commission
Maxine Leichter, SSI Water Preservation Society
Catherine Drost, St. Mary's Lake Stewardship Committee
Hans Stoffelsma, SSI Rowing Club

Observers: Ian Drost, SSI Resident

1. The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

2. Agenda Approval

MOVED by G. Hendren, SECONDED by D. Dickmeyer,
That the agenda be approved with the following additions:

Item 4.2 St Mary's Lake Water Preservation Society

Item 4.3 SSI Rowing Club

Item 7.6 Dog Park Opening

CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes

MOVED by G. Hendren, SECONDED by J. Horsburgh,
That the minutes of January 21, 2011 Regular Minutes be approved
as presented.

CARRIED

4. Delegations / Presentations

4.1 SSI Transportation Commission

Mr. Donald McLennan, Chair SSI Transportation Commission and John Wakefield, Board member of the Transportation Commission

Mr. McLennan and Mr. Wakefield presented an overview of the sidewalk development projects that are in the planning phases. The Commission has two questions for PARC:

1. Where does PARC see sidewalks in the greater scheme of things? And
2. Does PARC wish the Transportation Commission to develop expanded reference to standards to guide sidewalk design?

The Chair thanked Mr. McLennan and Mr. Wakefield for the presentation.

4.2 St. Mary's Lake Water Preservation Society

Maxine Leichter, SSI Water Preservation Society
Catherine Drost, St. Mary's Lake Water Preservation Society
Ms. Leichter and Ms. Drost verbally presented their concerns regarding the SSI Rowing Club proposal to develop an access at the end of Suffolk Lane.

The Chair thanked Ms. Leichter and Ms. Drost for the presentation.

4.3 SSI Rowing Club

Mr. Stoffelsma, President SSI Rowing Club

Mr. Stoffelsma presented a verbal overview of SSI Rowing Club proposal to develop an access at the end of Suffolk Lane.

The Chair thanked Mr. Stoffelsma for the presentation.

5. Subcommittee Reports

5.1 Trail Advisory Group February 8, 2011

The Manager circulated and reviewed the notes for information.

6. Items Arising From Previous Meetings

6.1 Rainbow Road Pool Report September to December 2010

Mr. McLennan &
Mr. Wakefield left
meeting 7:35pm

Ms. Leichter, Mr.
& Ms. Drost and
Mr. Stoffelsma left
meeting at 8:03pm

It was generally agreed that staff will email other pool management teams for information on general percentage use of pools in other communities.

6.2 Suffolk Road End WAP

In a staff report the Manager brought forward the Suffolk Road End water access application for information.

It was generally agreed to advise Commission to continue with the application and suggest to the letter writers that the discussion of these issues should be handled during the Development Permit Application stage of the process.

7. New Business Items

7.1 Sidewalk Design

It was generally agreed to accept the Transportation Commission presentation from Item 4.1 for information.

7.2 Establish Master Plan Steering Meetings

The entire Committee wishes to meet with the consultant.

7.3 Ssplash Request for Beer Garden Policy Change

In a staff report the Manager reported that Ssplash has submitted a request the PARC consider amending the beer garden occasion license policy and include Rainbow Road Park in the policy as one of the parks where a permit to hold a beer garden can be applied for. The Manager reported that in light of the recent changes in liquor laws and outcome of court cases he recommends that the Beer Garden Policy be changed to not allow any beer garden in any of PARC parks.

It was generally agreed that the Beer Garden / Special Occasion License Policy be changed to prohibit beer gardens from being held in any of the parks under PARC control.

7.4 Meeting Schedule for 2011

The Meeting Schedule for 2011 was received for information.

7.5 Disabled Trail / Beach Access

The Chair proposed that PARC research the development of a proper disabled accessible park and disabled accessible beach access on SSI.

7.6 Dog Park Opening

The Manager reported that the Dog Park opening ceremony is scheduled on April 16, 2011 11-1pm. It was generally agreed to hold a naming contest within the schools.

8. Tabled Items

There were no tabled items for consideration at this time.

9. Correspondence and Information Items

9.1 Ben Goodman – Email

9.2 Christine Torgrimson - Letter

9.3 CNN Article Re: New York Parks Smoking Ban

All Correspondence Items were received for information.

10. Next Meeting

The next meeting of Commission is scheduled on February 28, 2011.

11. Motion to Move In Camera

MOVED by S. Shapiro, SECONDED by J. Horsburgh,

That Committee Move In Camera in Accordance with the Community Charter Part 4, Division 3, Section 90 (1):

(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;

(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public;

CARRIED

The meeting moved in camera at 8:55pm