

Minutes of a meeting of the Saturna Island Parks & Recreation Commission (SIPRC) held Thursday, November 11, 2021.

Present: Paul Brent, Chair; David Osborne, Treasurer, Andre Green, Kyra Haworth
Regrets; Ian Gaines, Rick Jones, Mairead Boland

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM. David agreed to chair the meeting and take and distribute these minutes. He welcomed the commissioners and thanked them for attending. Our presence on the traditional territory of the Coast Salish people was acknowledged with thanks for the careful stewardship for these lands by them over millenia. A moment of silence was observed for Remembrance Day.
2. The agenda was approved as circulated with the addition of funding requests under item 6, by consent.
3. The minutes of October 21, 2021 were approved as circulated by consent. Kyra expressed her approval for their production within a short time after the meeting. David expressed his intention that it should be so in the future.
4. David delivered an oral report as Treasurer. He indicated that our bookkeeper is now caught up and there are no new items to report since the last written report October 21. Paul provided an update on the budget process. He estimates we will have surpluses in the Parks (estimated \$6500.00) and in the Recreation (estimated \$11,500) budgets less any spending to the end of the year. David reported that our administrator, Marc, has given notice that he will no longer be available January 1, 2022. The commissioners expressed gratitude for his difficult work so far, and regret that he will be leaving us. David reported he has begun to publicize the job on the island. An island candidate is to be preferred. Paul will follow up on one application received to date from a person in Vancouver with an island connection to Old Point Farm, albeit part-time. All commissioners to recruit actively in the community by word of mouth. Moved by Paul, seconded by David, that SIPRC donate \$150.00 to the Recreation Centre in return for our use of their lounge as a meeting room monthly through the winter months. After discussion, CARRIED.
5. Project reports:
 - a. Thomson Park: David and Kyra following up on replacement for pit toilet. No current plans for archeological survey or other work.
 - b. Lyall Creek: Kyra reported on plans for the community garden for next season. She will lead an effort to publicize and recruit members of the community to use it. Sunday, December 12th, at 10: AM was set for a volunteer cleanup of the site. Kyra to publicize and recruit.
6. Funding requests:
 - a. Moved by Paul, seconded by Kyra, that SIPRC approve up to \$500.00 from the Recreation budget to the Saturna Singers for their Xmas social and organizing meeting December 16th, 2021. After discussion, CARRIED
 - b. Moved by Paul, seconded by Andre, that SIPRC provide up to \$1100.00 of additional funding from the Parks budget to the Saturna Heritage Centre for planned renovations. After discussion, that no tender will be required and the current contractor, William Kafal will continue the work in progress, CARRIED.

c. Discussion of the need for additional storage at the Winter Cove ballfield. Kyra will approach Parks Canada to discuss options.

7. New Business:

a. New applicants: Three persons from the Saturna Community have applied to become commissioners in 2022: Robyn Quaintance, Keith Preston, and Rosemary Henry. Their brief resumes were circulated to the commissioners. There appear to be at least three vacancies in 2022. Paul will not continue, Ian Gaines has resigned, and there is one current vacancy.

Decision: All three will be recommended to David Howe. David Osborne to communicate this to the relevant parties.

8. Next meeting: December 9, 2021, at 4:30 Pm at the Recreation Centre lounge.

9. Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.