



**Minutes Area A Parks Commission
November 9, 2018**

Present: Brook Adams, Sharon Arnold, Nancy Crichton, David Keir, Bonnie Mills, Alternate Director Shane Ryan, April Tilson and guest Ryan Dias, Supervisor of Parks and Trails for the CVRD. Regrets: Libby Connor, Director Blaise Salmon

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM by the Chair, April Tilson

Ryan Dias, Supervisor of Parks and Trails presented the 2019 budget with a five year forecast. The major change from last year is that the reserve from this year will go toward the 2019 budget and will therefore lower the requisition of 2019. A major capital project is the upgrade of the Mill Bay Community Wharf. The lease with Island Timberlands is under consideration for renewal and upgrades and repairs are in the next budget as are structural upgrades to Whiskey Point Beach access and the Mill Bay Nature Park viewing platform as minor capital projects.

The summer students worked for five days in Area A mainly working on trail upgrades. The student playground budget will be less next year as one of the age groups will go to half days. It was again very successful. Considerable upgrades have been made to the continuation of the Cowichan Valley Trail.

Information items:

We received a reminder from Maureen Alexander, President of the Mill Bay and Bamberton Historical societies that the museum is open Sundays from October 21st through November 25th from noon to 3:00 pm at 2851 Church Way, Mill Bay, BC.

The Draft Bylaw 4153- the establishment of Parks Commissions in CVRD will be put to the new Board in January.

Consensus was that there would not be a December meeting considering the increase of social activities we all have in the month of December.

It was moved that the meeting be concluded at 8:10 PM.