## **MINUTES**

## Cobble Hill Parks Commission Meeting May 7, 2018 Youth Hall, 3665 Watson Avenue, Cobble Hill, B.C. 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

<u>Present</u>: Shelly Balme, Dennis Cage, Gord Dickenson, Brenda Donn, Annie Ingraham, Jennifer Symons, Bill Turner, Lynn Wilson (Chair), Matteus Clement – Area "C" Electoral Area Director

Regrets: Ruth Koehn, Alan Seal

Meeting started at 7 p.m.

No.	Item	Status
1.	Approval of the agenda	Carried
2.	Adoption of the minutes of the regular Cobble Hill Parks Commission meeting of April 12, 2018	Carried
3.	Volunteer hours reported for Commission members	10 hours
4.	Business arising from the minutes	See items below
4.a.	Cobble Hill community park visits: discussion of options and dates	Meet at Cherry Point Park on May 26 <sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m12 p.m. to tour park and discuss site improvements.
4.b.	Volunteer projects in Cobble Hill parks: identification of potential projects	<ul> <li>Request CVRD work with CHPC to organize a volunteer project to improve Watson Trail (i.e. bring in cart path and have volunteers spread it on the trail)</li> <li>Ask CVRD if Cleasby Bike Park needs any volunteer labour and if so, help CHPC organize a volunteer project.</li> </ul>

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4.c.	Summer students in Cobble Hill parks: suggestions for projects	<ul> <li>QNP: conduct Cleasby Bike Park visitor survey; undertake Cleasby Bike Park trail revitalization if needed; undertake general trail maintenance &amp; repairs</li> <li>Merilees viewing platform: dismantle if at end of life</li> <li>Cobble Hill Common: undertake visitor use and preference survey</li> <li>Satellite Park beach accesses: remove tires if safe to do so</li> </ul>
4.d	Tire removal from Satellite Park beach accesses: update	<ul> <li>Request update from CVRD on status of tire removal</li> </ul>
4.e.	Quarry Nature Park parking: current issues	<ul> <li>Improve signage so that visitors use the western-most exit onto Empress Ave (not the middle exit).</li> <li>Cut vegetation back from middle entrance.</li> <li>Revisit the parking lot design in advance of a park management plan.</li> <li>Advocate for regional park funding support for parking lot improvements.</li> </ul>
4.f(i)	Cobble Hill Commons – update on current park development and upcoming park activities	<ul> <li>Check with CVRD to see if we can organize a park opening event on July 1<sup>st</sup> or other suitable date this summer.</li> </ul>

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4.f (ii)	Cobble Hill Commons – hands-on exercise in identifying a common vision for park development	<ul> <li>Request the CVRD provide a scale drawing of the park to Chair</li> <li>Discuss with the CVRD the following elements that have been suggested for the park perimeter:</li> <li>Stage/band shell</li> <li>Covered camp kitchen</li> <li>Nature-scape playground</li> <li>Play features for kids</li> <li>Quiet spaces for seniors</li> <li>Interior trail</li> <li>Additional benches &amp; tables</li> <li>More vegetation and shade trees</li> <li>Amenities that are suitable for all ages</li> </ul>
4.f(iii)	Cobble Hill Commons – discussion of next steps with the CVRD and with public engagement	<ul> <li>Contact Brian Farquhar and request staff attend next CHPC meeting to discuss park development</li> </ul>
5.	Reports	None
6.	New Business	See below
6.a.	Connecting with the Cobble Hill community: ideas and suggestions	Tabled
7.	Director's Report	Tabled
8.	Adjournment	8:35 p.m.
9.	Next meeting	June 4, 2018 at 7 p.m. at the Youth Hall

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