## COBBLE HILL PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING Thursday, June 25th 2009 7:00 pm. Arbutus Ridge Board Room MINUTES

Present: John Krug – Chair, Richard Shaw, Bill Turner, Linden Collette, Ian Sparshu, and Lynn Wilson.

Regrets: Gerry Giles and Alan Seal

Guest: Gordon Dickenson

1. Adopted the minutes from May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

## Business arising from the minutes

 Richard and John gave an update on Cleasby Bike Park. There has been a request for some easier jumps for younger kids. Low rollers can be added at the top of the bike park using volunteer help and money left from the original project. John and Richard to get an estimate of cost. The new features could be added in September. Also, the back of the sign needs to be completed crediting community participants and business donations to the park. Moved and seconded:

"The parks commission will complete the Cleasby Bike Park sign and add new features to the bike park using funding leftover from the original park development."

## **MOTION CARRIED**

- 2. John and Gordon gave an update on the dog park. A temporary fountain made of wood has been installed. Sod taken from the cenotaph project has been put into the fenced area in the park and is being regularly watered by parks commission members and community members. The current plan is to complete the drinking fountain after the cenotaph project is complete.
- 3. John provided an update on the cenotaph project. The parks commission is waiting for the Farmers' Institute to give permission for the commission to use some of the Institute's land for the memorial park. The Farmers' Institute is expected to vote on that at their next meeting. Until then, we will continue to work on design, order materials, and complete the platform for the cenotaph.

- 4. Bill updated the progress of Manley Park upgrades. Bridges 1 and 2 are complete and in place.
- 5. Bill reported that Granfield Trail has had brush trimmed along the sides and overhanging branches removed. Some posts on the fencing along the trail need to be replaced.
- 6. The Trees for Tomorrow/ Train Station signage report was given by John and Bill. Signs are in place to discourage overnight parking along the area to be upgraded. The large sign announcing the pending Trees for Tomorrow improvements is up.
- 7. John reported that he spoke to Ann Peters, Executive Director at the Northwest Wildlife Preservation Society. He told her that the parks commission could get Chris Keohn to provide an estimate on the renovations needed to the barn at the old Granfield farm. Ms. Peters responded by saying that her organization is hoping to raise funds for the project. She did not indicate if she wanted to have the estimate completed.
- 8. John led a discussion about a possible disc golf course. Commission members expressed an interest in the project but also a concern that forested land which does not get much human activity not be used. Motion and seconded:

"The parks commission will investigate the feasibility of creating a disc golf course within the Cobble Hill area." **MOTION CARRIED** 

lan volunteered to lead the investigation.

- John noted that some communities and families are interested in planning group activities in parks. Please alert Ryan Lendrum to these events so that the parks can be prepared. He can be contacted at <u>r.lendrum@cvrd.bc.ca</u>
- 10. Seniors Exercise Equipment is tabled until our next meeting.

## New Business

1. John reported that the Highways Yard in the village will be cleaned out and prepared for parking for the Cobble Hill Fair in August.

- 2. The commission would like to request that JOB participants clear dry brush from Fairfield Park to reduce fire hazard.
- 3. John shared a memo from Brian Farquhar about the Parks Master Plan. He will request clarification from Brian about specific lands mentioned in the memo and inform commission members by email.
- 4. An e-mail survey of the Parks Commission was conducted to select a name for the newly created Liberation Park/Holland Avenue/Cenotaph area and Memorial Park was unanimously agreed upon.
- 5. The next meeting is July 23, 2009 at 7:00 pm at Arbutus Ridge board room.
- 6. The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Submitted by Linden Collette, Secretary