



Date: Thursday, October 13, 2016

Time: 7:30 P.M.

**MINUTES** of the Electoral Area E Parks and Recreation Commission held at the above noted date and time at Glenora Hall.

**PRESENT:** Frank Mccorkell (Chair), Irene Evans, Howard Heyd, Mike Lees, Paul Slade, Gretchen Hartley and Larry Whetstone.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Alison Nicholson (Director), Brian Farquar (Manager, Parks and Trails) and Jennifer Mccorkell (Acting Secretary).

**ABSENT:** Patty John and Gregg Shoop (V/Chair and Secretary); both offered apologies.

**AGENDA:** Approved as circulated.

**ACCEPTANCE OF PAST MINUTES:** Motion to adopt the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 8, 2016, without amendment. Moved and Seconded. Carried.

**MATTERS ARISING:**

- a.) Wake Lake Subdivision -The Chair reported that 1.9 acres on Barnjam Rd. has been set aside, one portion as a toad sanctuary and another for a trail connecting with Sunrise Rd.
- b.) Sathlam Crosswalk – The Chair indicated that the Manager and Director will be working with the MOT to relocate the crosswalk near the old school to a point near the pumphouse and pedestrian gate at Currie Park.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None was identified.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a.) Update on Area E Parks and Trails Master Plan -The Manager spoke to the update recently sent to Commission members and invited comments to be forwarded via the Chairperson.
- b.) Draft Budget (2017) -The Manager reviewed the draft and was asked if money was being set aside annually for the replacement of aging assets. He said \$19,808 for consultants was being carried forward, similarly, \$51,000 intended for Maplewood Park and \$13,000 for climbing equipment at Currie Park. The Chair said he'd expected to see monies in the draft for washrooms at Currie Park. The Director expressed a concern that this would be the beginning of further costs, questioned whether the park was of a type that met the needs of the community, and indicated she was reluctant to support the construction of the washrooms. Several Commissioners shared the expectations of the Chair and further discussion led to a consensus that, by limiting building expenses and using the dollars intended for climbing equipment, the washrooms could be realized. On a final note, the Manager said VIHA was pressing the CVRD to install potable water at Glenora Trailhead Park.
- c.) A.G.M. -The Manager indicated that the date of Area Commission A.G.M.s was to be harmonized with April 30th being the date under consideration by Area Directors. It was pointed out by a Commissioner that this date may cause problems in such important matters as the hiring of summer students.

**NEXT MEETING:** 7:30 P.M., Thursday, November 10, 2016 at Glenora Hall.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn at 9:00 P.M. Moved and Seconded. Carried.

Certified as Correct:

Secretary: G. B. Shoop

Date: 25 / 10 / 16

Chairperson: *SA M. Corbett*