

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Area H Parks Commission held at North Oyster community Centre August 23, 2012.

**PRESENT:** Chairperson Bruce McNab, Don Pigott, Snuffy Ladret, Secretary Barbara Waters, Area Director Mary Marcotte

**ABSENT:** Murray McNab, Brad Uytterhagen

Acting chairperson Mary Marcotte called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m., acting until Chairperson Bruce Mason arrived at 7:00 p.m. and took over.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Moved  
Seconded**

**That the agenda be approved.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 26, 2012 were adopted as circulated.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Please see Reports.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

None.

**REPORTS:  
R1 Yellow Point Park**

This park is looking well maintained and well used.

**R2 Blue Heron Park**

This park continues to be in good condition and well used. There was further discussion confirming the park boundary issue.

**R3 Raven Park**

Park is in good condition. No significant recent erosion noted.

**R4 Elliott's Beach**

This park has been very busy in the good weather, and the garbage can is often overflowing. There was a complaint from the public about the toilet also overflowing. Please see attached copy of a memo from Ryan Diaz regarding contractor progress on the improvements at this park. A suggestion was made that we meet with the contractor in the fall to review the work. Deferred items: stone steps to the beach, and new signage.

**R5 Michael Lake** No report.

**R6 Trillium Park** No update on the couple of yards of gravel that are needed on the Chandler Road side. Other than that the park looks good.

**R7 Ladysmith  
Parks and  
Recreation** No report.

**UNFINISHED  
BUSINESS**

**UB1 Community  
Fisheries** Mary Marcotte has followed up with Bob Grant and learned that the program is not taking new applications. However, a project in Victoria has been cancelled which gives us a possible chance to receive this service. The project would have to be for six months, and the preference is for all the work to be in one park. Parks Commission members would like to design the project, with CVRD involvement regarding due diligence and liability. The next step is for Mary to meet with Ryan Diaz, Bob Grant and Snuffy Ladret. There is no money in this year's budget for this project but it could be authorized via a bylaw.

**UB2 Raise Road** Some issues remain regarding path clearance. The building will be permitted to remain. A complaint has been received about locals driving motorized vehicles on the path and doing damage. Signage is to be installed to address the issue.

The required stairs should be built by a professional contractor for liability reasons. It was agreed that we should approach Lance Goldy to do the work.

**Moved  
Seconded  
That the Parks Commission request new signage from the CVRD  
for the Raise Road access.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**UB3 Wedding  
Policy** An amended policy for use of Area H parks for weddings and other private events was presented. Please see attached copy.

**Moved  
Seconded  
That the Area H Parks Commission adopt the proposed wedding  
party policy as amended.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**UB4 Broom  
Removal**

**Moved  
Seconded**

**That the maintenance contractor be authorized to spend up to two days eradicating and removing broom from Yellow Point Park.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**NEXT MEETING**

**Saturday, October 6, 2012, 10:00 at Elliott's Beach.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved  
Seconded**

**That the meeting be adjourned.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m

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Barbara Waters, Secretary  
September 13, 2012