

COLUMBIA SHUSWAP REGIONAL DISTRICT

AREA C PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of meeting held Tuesday, December 11, 2019
Shuswap Fire Hall #2

Note: The following minutes are subject to correction when
endorsed by the Parks Advisory Committee at the next Regular meeting

PRESENT: Shirley Bates (Chair) Nigel Collett
Heather O'Brien David Barton
Patrick Frank Nicholas Najda

Absent

Karen Brown

Staff

Paul Demenok, Director, Electoral Area C
Ryan Nitche, Team Leader, Community Services
Gwen Norman, Clerical Assistant, Operations Management

The meeting commenced at 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER The Chair welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. The round of introductions.

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR Nominations for the position of Chair and Vice Chair for 2020 are deferred until the next Area C Parks Advisory Committee meeting.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES/ AGENDA Dave Barton/Karen Brown THAT:
the agenda for December 11, 2019 meeting be approved.
CARRIED

Nigel Collett/David Barton THAT:
the minutes of the meeting dated June 4, 2019 be adopted.
CARRIED

2019 MAINTENANCE UPDATE The Team Leader updated the Committee on the construction and maintenance projects for 2019:

- Cedar Heights Community Park – maintenance of the sunshades to anchor them at a higher level to prevent users from climbing them.
- Gillespie Road Community – a number of dead trees were removed. A picnic table was damaged during the removal which was replaced by the contractor. Swim area was extended to ensure swim platform remained in safe water depth.
- Harbour Road Boat Launch – Three large boulders replaced the concrete barrier as well as a bumper guard was installed on the dock. A six foot chain link fence was installed on both sides of neighbouring properties as well as a concrete curb by the vault toilet to keep spring melt water from damaging the vault toilet.
- MacArthur Heights Trailhead – New kiosk installed by Shuswap Trail Alliance as part of the Balmoral signage update.
- Pebble Beach – Infested trees were treated at Pebble Beach in early spring and have shown significant signs of improvement. New plants have been installed by Canada Post by the vault toilet.

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- Sandy Beach – a curtain drain was installed by the Community Hall to capture the flowing upland water. Damaged septic system was rebuilt for the public washrooms. A number of swim buoys were removed to lower maintenance costs.
 - Shannon Beach Community Park – the swim platform and ladder requires maintenance from swimmers flipping the platform. Requires new anchoring system.
 - Whitehead Road Boat Launch – Due to the wave action pushing the dock into rocks, the dock will be relocated to the east side of the launch to mitigate the issue.
 - Caen Road – maintenance to the storm drain and catch basin to clear an obstruction was completed.
 - Markwart Road Boat Launch – launch ramp was repaired and bumper guard was replaced around the dock.
 - Notch Hill Community Park – light by vault toilet is in the process of being repaired.
 - Sorrento Blind Bay Park – old wooden barrier posts removed around winter ice rink location and several trees removed around power poles. A redundant chain link fence was removed along a pathway. Repairs to the spray park were completed and a new water cannon will be installed in 2020. The wheelchair stroller access was repaired and repaved by the ball diamond bleachers.
 - Roy Sharp Community Park – some danger trees were felled in the early spring by forestry fire fighters.
 - Sunnybrae Community Park – improvements to the parking lot, tree removal and replacement of a picnic table were completed. The dock received drainage plugs to assist in excess water drainage.
 - John Evdokimoff Community Park – reconfiguration of the bike park was completed as well as the climb trail constructed by Shuswap Trail Alliance. A new kiosk was installed and line painting for the sports court. A new storage shed was donated and constructed by the White Lake Fire Department which will house the sports equipment.
 - White Lake Community Park – new interpretive signage was installed on the viewing platform. Upgrades to the parking lot were completed and new boat launch parking lot signs were installed.

UPDATE / GENERAL DISCUSSIONS

Round table discussions with regards to the Electoral Area C parkland acquisition AAP process and the general concerns expressed by the community during this process.

The Team Leader discussed the conceptual design by McElhanney regarding the Eagle Bay Community Hall Park. Committee there will be a scheduled focus group meeting Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at 7PM at the Eagle Bay Community Hall.

An update meeting on the South Shuswap Destination Trail is scheduled for February 2020.

Staff is working on the possibility of entering into an agreement between the CSRD and the Sorrento Centre for waterfront lake access. Staff will report back to the Committee on status of discussions.

NEW PARK BUSINESS/ GENERAL DISCUSSIONS

The Team Leader presented updated information on the capital maintenance planning projects:

- Capital projects for 2019 have been completed with the exception of the Eagle Bay Hall Park and will commence in 2020.
- The Sorrento Blind Bay Community Park is in need of a Master Parks Plan to guide the upgrades and improvement initiatives. A Master Park Plan will be a priority project in 2020.

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- General discussions regarding the reconsideration of trail development within the CSRD owned park land at Loftus Lake. Shuswap Trail Alliance to develop a conceptual trail plan and budget estimate. More discussions will follow.

The Team Leader updated the Committee on the 2020 – 2024 Five Year Financial Plan. Committee discussed possible park improvements at Cedar Heights Park. Some ideas include basketball hoops, pump track, skate park and possible tennis courts.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting to be determined in mid-February 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM