

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO**  
**MINUTES OF THE REGIONAL PARKS AND TRAILS SELECT COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Tuesday, October 9, 2018**  
**12:00 P.M.**  
**Committee Room**

In Attendance:	Director H. Houle	Chair
	Director A. McPherson	Electoral Area A
	Director M. Young	Electoral Area C
	Director B. Rogers	Electoral Area E
	Director J. Fell	Electoral Area F
	Director J. Stanhope	Electoral Area G
	Director B. Veenhof	Electoral Area H
	Director G. Fuller	City of Nanaimo
	Director I. Thorpe	City of Nanaimo
	Director M. Lefebvre	City of Parksville
	Director B. Colclough	District of Lantzville
Regrets:	Director J. Hong	City of Nanaimo
	Director B. Yoachim	City of Nanaimo
	Director T. Westbrook	Town of Qualicum Beach
Also in Attendance:	P. Carlyle	Chief Administrative Officer
	T. Osborne	Gen. Mgr. Recreation & Park Services
	W. Marshall	Mgr. Park Services
	A. Harvey	Recording Secretary

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order and respectfully acknowledged the Coast Salish Nations on whose traditional territory the meeting took place.

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

#### **Regional Parks and Trails Select Committee Meeting - May 15, 2018**

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Regional Parks and Trails Select Committee meeting held May 15, 2018, be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

T. Osborne spoke to the correspondence items.

It was moved and seconded that the following correspondence be received:

R. Robinson, Friends of French Creek Conservation Society, re: French Creek Estuary Lands

T. Cameron, Gabriola Resident, re: Accessibility of Descanso Bay Regional Park

D. James, Qualicum Beach Streamkeepers Society, re: Little Qualicum River Estuary

L. Lemon and P. Cuttris, Benson View Rd. Residents, re: Mt. Benson Regional Park Parking

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **Mount Benson Regional Park – Parking Lot Project Update**

It was moved and seconded that following completion of the new parking lot, the existing parking lot and floating boardwalk at Witchcraft Lake remain open for one year and that a subsequent report to the Board be prepared on their use.

Opposed (5): Director McPherson, Director Fell, Director Fuller, Director Thorpe, and Director Colclough

CARRIED (6 to 5)

## **REPORTS**

### **Parks Update Report – Summer 2018**

It was moved and seconded that the Parks Update - Summer 2018 be received as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **Morden Colliery Regional Trail Update**

It was moved and seconded that the Morden Colliery Regional Trail Update be received for information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **Big Qualicum River to Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Regional Trail Update**

It was moved and seconded that the Big Qualicum River to Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Regional Trail Update be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **Trans Canada Trail – Renewal of Island Timberlands Licence**

It was moved and seconded that the RDN enter into a licence renewal with Island Timberlands' for the Trans Canada Trail from August 1, 2018 to July 31, 2020.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Trans Canada Trail – Private Land Use Agreement**

It was moved and seconded that the RDN 2018 - 2020 land use agreement with Gayle and Peter Brase for the Trans Canada Trail be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Benson Creek Falls Regional Park – Access Improvements**

It was moved and seconded that detailed design and planning for the truss bridge across Benson Creek, including associated trail improvements, proceed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was moved and seconded that detailed design and planning for a combination of stairs and new trail to the base of Ammonite Falls proceed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

TIME: 12:45PM

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CHAIR