

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

Electoral Area A Director A. McPherson 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. Westbroek 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 Regional District of Nanaimo 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 Regional District of Nanaimo 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