REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

MINUTES OF THE REGIONAL PARKS AND TRAILS SELECT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY JUNE 16, 2015 AT 12:00 PM IN THE RDN BOARD ROOM

Attendance: Director Colin Haime, Chair, District of Lantzville

Director Maureen Young, Electoral Area 'C' Director Alec McPherson, Electoral Area 'A' Director Julian Fell, Electoral Area 'F'

Director Bob Rogers, Electoral Area 'E'

Director Ian Thorpe, City of Nanaimo (12:20 pm) Director Teunis Westbroek, Town of Qualicum Beach

Director Marc Lefebvre, City of Parksville

Staff: Tom Osborne, General Manager of Recreation and Parks

Paul Thorkelsson, Chief Administrative Officer Wendy Marshall, Manager of Park Services

Geoff Garbutt, General Manager of Strategic and Community Development

Ann-Marie Harvey, Recording Secretary

Also in Attendance: Director Stanhope, Electoral Area 'G'

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Haime called the meeting to order at 12:04pm.

MINUTES

MOVED Director Westbroek, SECONDED Director Rogers that the Minutes of the Regular Regional Parks and Trails Select Committee meeting held February 3, 2015 be approved with the corrected typo.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED Director Westbroek, SECONDED Director Rogers that the following Correspondence be received:

C. Simpson, Island Trust to T. Osborne, RDN, RE: Gabriola Parks Rezoning Bylaws

R. O'Donnell, Benson View Rd Resident to W. Marshall, RDN, RE: Mt. Benson Regional Park Parking Issues

CARRIED

REPORTS

Monthly Update of Community and Regional Parks and Trails Projects – January to April 2015

Ms. Marshall answered questions from the directors regarding items in the report.

MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Westbroek that the Monthly Update of Community and Regional Parks and Trails Projects –January to April 2015 be received.

Morden Colliery Historic Provincial Park Land Tenure Review

Mr. Osborne summarized the main points of the report and answered questions from Directors.

MOVED Director Fell, SECONDED Director McPherson that that the Morden Colliery Historic Provincial Park Land Tenure Review report be received.

DEFEATED

MOVED Director Westbroek, SECONDED Director Lefebvre that the Morden Colliery Historic Provincial Park Land Tenure Review report be received as information and no additional resources be provided to the restoration project at this time.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Westbroek, SECONDED Director Young that staff provide the Friends of Morden Mine information from the Morden Colliery Historic Provincial Park Land Tenure Review report.

CARRIED

Regional Park Dedication Bylaw 1726

MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Rogers that the "Regional District Parkland Dedication Bylaw 1726, 2015" be introduced and read three times.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Rogers that the "Regional District Parkland Dedication Bylaw 1726, 2015" be adopted.

CARRIED

Mount Benson Regional Park Management Plan – 5 Year Review

Ms. Marshall summarized the main points of the report.

MOVED Director Westbroek, SECONDED Director Thorpe that the Five Year Review for the Mount Benson Regional Park Management Plan be received and that any revisions to the Management Plan policies and significant actions be approved.

CARRIED

E&N Rail Trail Costing and Phasing Options

Ms. Marshall summarized the main points of the report.

MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Westbroek that the Regional District proceed to tender for the E&N Rail Trail Project for the Coombs to Church Rd section, with a tender upgrade option for the construction of the Church Rd to Springwood Park trailhead section, should sufficient Community Works Funds and Regional Parks Capital Funds be available.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Westbroek that construction of the section of E&N Rail Trail from Springwood Park to Lowry's Rd, along the Victoria Line, be completed in a later phase once additional funding is secured.

CARRIED

Fairwinds Regional Park Management Plan

Mr. Osborne provided a summary of the report.

MOVED Director Rogers, SECONDED Director Lefebvre that the Regional District Park Management Plan for the Fairwinds Lakes District be approved in principal.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Rogers, SECONDED Director Lefebvre that the name 'Qwiyulass Regional Park" be approved for the future Regional Park within the Fairwinds Lake District.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Parks Staff – Changes to work distribution

Mr. Osborne summarized the work distribution sheet that was emailed to Directors, explaining the shift of staff allocation from Regional and Community Parks divisions to geographic area divisions.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS, COMMUNICATION OR PRESENTATIONS

IN CAMERA

MOVED Director Lefebvre, SECONDED Director Rogers that pursuant to Section 90(1) (e) of the Community Charter the Committee proceed to an In Camera Committee meeting to consider items related to land issues.

Time: 1:35pm

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED Director Lefebvre, that the meeting be adjourned at 2:33pm.

CARRIED

Chairperson		