

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

**MINUTES OF THE
REGIONAL PARKS AND TRAILS SELECT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY NOVEMBER 1ST, 2016
12:00 PM
(RDN COMMITTEE ROOM)**

Attendance: Director Haime, Chair, District of Lantzville
Director McPherson, Electoral Area 'A'
Director Houle, Electoral Area 'B'
Alternate Director Pinker, Electoral Area 'C'
Director Rogers, Electoral Area 'E'
Director Fell, Electoral Area 'F'
Director Stanhope, Electoral Area 'G'
Director Veenhof, Electoral Area 'H'
Director Westbroek, Town of Qualicum Beach
Director Lefebvre, City of Parksville
Director Thorpe, City of Nanaimo
Director Hong, City of Nanaimo

Staff: Tom Osborne, General Manager of Recreation and Parks
Phyllis Carlyle, Chief Administrative Officer
Wendy Idema, Director of Finance
Wendy Marshall, Manager of Park Services
Ann-Marie Harvey, Recording Secretary

Regrets: Director Pratt, City of Nanaimo
Director Yoachim, City of Nanaimo
Director Young, Electoral Area 'C'

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Haime called the meeting to order at 12:00pm.

DELEGATIONS

None

MINUTES

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director McPherson that the Minutes of the Regular Regional Parks and Trails Select Committee meeting held September 20, 2016 be adopted.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

None

REPORTS

Monthly Update of Community and Regional Parks and Trails Projects –September 2016

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

MOVED Director Stanhope, SECONDED Director Lefebvre that the Monthly Update of Community and Regional Parks and Trails Projects – September 2016 be received.

CARRIED

Horne Lake Historic Regional Trail Report

MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Thorpe that the Regional District resume planning and development of the approximately 12 km Horne Lake Regional Trail with the goal to complete a footpath standard trail by 2020.

CARRIED

MOVED Director Veenhof, SECONDED Director Thorpe that the Regional District work with the Qualicum First Nations, the Alberni Clayoquot Regional District and Port Alberni First Nations to obtain Provincial recognition of a Sea to Sea, First Nation to First Nation BC Heritage Trail across Vancouver Island via Horne Lake by 2020.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE/DELEGATONS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Descanso Bay Regional Park Operator

Mr. Osborne updated the Committee on the status of the park operator contract since the passing of Jim Demler, who was the current operator of the park.

12:23 –Director Lefrevbre left the meeting.

Beachcomber Regional Park Plan

Director Rogers asked about the need to spend funds on a park plan for Beachcomber Regional Park given that it is a small park since 1988 and has never needed a plan before.

Ms. Marshall responded that it is good to have a plan to check on trails and wear on the park so that it can be determined if trails need to be redirected or if the amenities of the park are meeting the user's needs. She noted that this is not a large scale plan and will done internally. Once complete all twelve Regional Parks will have a plan in place to guide future use and development.

Moorecroft

Director Rogers mentioned his appreciation to the Moorecrofters group for their \$10,000 donation towards Moorecroft projects that was received last week.

IN CAMERA

MOVED Director Veenhof SECONDED Director Houle 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 and legal issues.

Time: 12:27pm

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED Director Houle, SECONDED Director Veenhof that the meeting be adjourned at 1:45pm.

CARRIED

Chairperson