

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO**

**MINUTES OF THE ELECTORAL AREA 'G' PARKS AND OPEN SPACE ADVISORY  
REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING HELD**

**Wednesday, June 1, 2016**

**4:30 PM**

**(Oceanside Place, Meeting Room)**

**Attendance:** Joe Stanhope, Director  
Brian Coath  
Ted Malyk  
Rick Horte  
Catherine Watson  
Michael Foster

**Staff:** Lesya Fesiak, Parks Planner  
Wendy Marshall, Parks Planner

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Stanhope called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

MOVED R. Horte, SECONDED B. Coath that the title of the second item under REPORTS be corrected –with the removal of the words “rezoning and” – and changed to “Proposed Park Land Dedication in Conjunction with Proposed Subdivision of Lot 4, District Lot 76, Newcastle District, Plan 2619.”

CARRIED

MOVED R. Horte, SECONDED B. Coath, to adopt the amended agenda for the June 1, 2016 Regular Electoral Area 'G' Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee meeting .

CARRIED

**ELECTION OF SECRETARY**

C. Watson volunteered to fill the role of Secretary.

**DELEGATIONS**

Helen Simms, Simms Associates  
Rachel Hamling, Fern Road Consulting

**MINUTES**

MOVED T. Malyk, SECONDED B. Coath to adopt the Minutes of the Regular Electoral Area 'G' Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee meeting held March 7, 2016.

CARRIED

## **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

None

## **CORRESPONDENCE / COMMUNICATIONS**

None

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## **REPORTS**

### **Monthly update Regional and Community Parks and Trail Projects – February – April, 2016**

W. Marshall highlighted Area G projects and tasks from the monthly report.

### **Proposed Park Land Designation in Conjunction with Proposed Subdivision of Lot 4, District Lot 76, Newcastle District, Plan 2619 Except Parts in Plan 26594 (1150 Ganske Road), Electoral Area "G"**

R. Hamling gave an overview of the Subdivision Application on behalf of the developer and noted that the appraisal for the subject property has yet to be completed.

H. Simms indicated that the property owners wanted the benefit of the parkland dedication to go to the neighbours.

POSAC members discussed the proposed parkland and cash dedication and alternatives, including full 5% parkland dedication and a trail on the west side of the property (as opposed to the east) from Ganske Rd to an undeveloped road allowance adjacent to the E&N rail corridor. M. Marshall and L. Fesiak outlined benefits of the proposal from a parks perspective, including the establishment of a community connector trail for existing residents; they also explained that a connection to the undeveloped road allowance along the E&N corridor already exists at Texada Rd.

MOVED M. Foster, SECONDED Director Stanhope that the Subdivision Application with a 1.75% parkland dedication for the purpose of a public connector trail between Ganske Road and Dewberry Way, and 3.25% cash-in-lieu of parkland, be accepted. TIED VOTE

DEFEATED

### **Stanhope Trail**

L. Fesiak presented an overview of a proposed trail (from Ackerman Rd to Walley's Way) and an alternate trail (from Ackerman Rd to Wembley Rd) with cost estimates and rationale. POSAC members discussed both options and agreed that the proposed trail would be an appropriate approach to trail development, in consideration of site conditions and concerns from neighbouring residents.

MOVED R. Horte, SECONDED B. Coath that the Board direct staff to proceed with the proposed works to develop Stanhope trail.

CARRIED

## **BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS OR COMMUNICATIONS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None

## **COMMITTEE ROUND TABLE**

Director Stanhope invited committee members to a round table forum:

**B. Coath** mentioned the erosion at Admiral Tryon Road. RDN staff will contact MOTI.

**M .Foster** asked for an update on the progress on the restoration project for the Dashwood Hall. W. Marshall responded that there had been no further work done at this time.

**T. Malyk** indicated that St. Andrews Strata would like a meeting with MOTI regarding the traffic speed limits and potential sidewalks in their area. Director Stanhope has contacted the MLA for the area over this issue. T. Malyk indicated that Hollywood Trail near Texada Road is not accessible to the beach. Director Stanhope indicated that this is a MOTI issue.

**R. Horte** indicated that a survey of Parks near Centre Crescent should be done to prevent intrusion on parks property. RDN staff will direct bylaw enforcement to observe the Centre Crescent area.

**C. Watson** indicated a neighbour had concerns over fallen trees across Morningstar Creek. Director Stanhope said the matter had been referred to the MLA.

## **ADJOURNEMENT**

MOVED B. Coath, SECONDED M. Foster that the meeting be adjourned at 5:30 pm.

CARRIED

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Chairperson