

# GALIANO ISLAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION Meeting Minutes

01 Aug 2024 at 9:00 a.m.  
1290 Sturdies Bay Road/Zoom

**Present:** Commissioners Charlene Dishaw (Chair), Murray Scadeng, Barry New, Keith Erickson(EP), Cathy Clinton, Paul Brent (EP) Gerald Longson, Jim Henshall, Andrew Simon(EP).

**Staff:** Lori Seay (Recording)

*EP=Electronic Participation*

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1. **CALL TO ORDER & LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Call to order at 9:00 a.m. Commission Chair Dishaw provided a territorial acknowledgement.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOVED** by Commissioner Clinton, Seconded by Commissioner Longson that the 01 Aug 2024 agenda be approved. **CARRIED.**

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**MOVED** by Commissioner Clinton, Seconded by Commissioner Longson that the 01 Aug 2024 minutes be approved as amended. **CARRIED.**

4. **DELEGATIONS:**

5. **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Chair noted that Commission terms are expiring for three members. A recruitment ad will be placed in the Active Page in September and October with an October 15 deadline for applicants. Coffee with Commissioners was held in July. A new banner has been secured for the upcoming Fiesta booth. .

6. **READY SET ROLL project**

Emma noted that the Galiano Community School has been approved for a Ready Set Roll project focused on active transportation to school. A walkabout meeting to discuss will be held on October 18 with GIPRC, school, MOTI and other stakeholder representation. Murchison Creek continues to be a safety concern for walkers. CRD is following up with MOTI and will update in September.

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## 7. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

**7.1 Maintenance Contractor's Report:** No report received. Commissioner Henshal reported that a Sticks Park danger tree has been removed. Montague toilet issues were addressed. Doty memorial bench will be installed at Linklater soon. Installation of Silu signage will be handled as a separate contract with Kristian. Toilet pump out is scheduled for August 22/2024.

**7.2 Parks, Trails and Shore Access Report:** Commission discussed erosion at Morning Beach. Geotech and archeological assessment will be included in 2025 Capital planning.

**ACTION:** Emma will talk to Justine regarding pre-development work for Morning Beach.

**7.3 Recreation Report:** Grant forms will be amended to include confirmation of receipt of funds and increased emphasis on numbers of users served. Commissioner Erickson asked that the Commission review and refine selection criteria in advance of the 2025 Rec Grants cycle.

**ACTION:** Lori will update the recreation form regarding confirmation of receipt of funds and data collection.

**7.4 Volunteer Report:** Stewards are encouraged to provide feedback to the Volunteer Coordinator following site visits.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Clinton will write an August message to stewards and forward to Lori for circulation with the July maintenance report.

**7.5 Betty's Place Operations Subcommittee Report:** Storage pool is emptied and may be retrofitted for rain collection. Water pump has performance issues and will be assessed by Red Williams in August. CRD will be apprised of water issues and the Commission agreed to proceed with investigation as indicated by the contractor, short of drilling a new well. Treasurer Scadeng noted that capital funds are limited and a french drain is already scheduled for the site with Galiano Excavating. There is interest in a shop rental.

**MOVED** by Commissioner Henshall, Seconded by Commissioner Erickson that GIPRC consult with CRD Real Estate to confirm that funds from the Kennedy endowment can be accessed to address well issues at Kennedy property; AND that a well investigation will be conducted by Red Williams summer 2024.  
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**ACTION:** Commissioner Dishaw will follow up CRD Real Estate regarding Kennedy well and shop rental options.

**7.6 Betty's Place Master Planning Subcommittee:** Master Planning committee met in July and is developing a consultation process for the site. Master Plan will be submitted to the Commission for review in Fall 2024, including an RFP for full building assessments. GIPRC table at Fiesta is a good outreach opportunity and will include books for sale from Betty's collection.

**ACTION:** Lori will update the Facebook page to encourage people to visit GIPRC Booth at Fiesta.

**7.7 Treasurer's Report:** 2025 Budget Process will be the focus of the September meeting. CRD is expecting a draft in October 2024. A full financial report will be provided at the September 2024 meeting.

**7.8 GIPRC Master Planning 2025-2030:** A shared drive has been created to support sharing of specific ideas for inclusion. Invasives management and Morning Beach stairs work will be included. Chair and Commissioner New will organize invasive removal work bees with volunteers. Commissioner Erickson will advise on green waste management.

**ACTION:** Chair Dishaw will convene another GIPRC Master Planning Committee meeting to discuss next steps and will circulate the shared planning document.

### **8. UPDATE STATUS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS**

**8.1 Silú Park Completion:** Signage is complete. Commission offered thanks to Stuart Mitchell for donating his time to design and produce signage. Installation is paused until archeological concerns have been cleared. Commissioner Longson will visit the site with CRD Archeology in August 2024. CRD has follow up questions regarding signage.

**ACTION:** Chair Dishaw will follow up with Justine Starke regarding signage.

**8.2 Zuker Georgeson Bay Access Restoration:** Commissioners Erickson and Simon will meet to develop a 2025 Budget for continued work at the site. Commissioner Brent encouraged continued work on asset management and invasives management.

**ACTION:** Chair will send a thank you to Zuker key volunteer(s).

### **9. New Business**

**9.1 Lion's Fiesta:** Booth will be shared with Trails Society.

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**9.2 Beach Clean Up:** Commission will support marine debris collection bags at Morning and Pebble Beaches in partnership with GIRR and Galiano Conservancy. Marine plastics will be diverted to a recycling center on Vancouver Island. Collection costs will be covered by GIPRC on a pilot basis.

**9.3 Sign installation:** Commission discussed historical installation of signage using nails on live trees and agreed that future signage will be attached without nails.

**9.4 Talking Tree Property:** The Galiano Conservancy has acquired a 100+ acre property mid island and is interested in trail networking.

10. **Next Meeting:**

9:00 A.M.- 12:00 P.M. Thursday September 05 2024. Please note extra time for budget development.

10. **Unaddressed Thoughts and Concerns:** None

11. **Adjournment at 11:10 a.m.**

**Approved at the 05 Sept 2024 GIPRC meeting:**



CHAIR

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COMMITTEE CLERK