

# **Capital Regional District**

625 Fisgard St., Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

## **Meeting Minutes**

# **Regional Parks Committee**

Wednesday, November 25, 2020

10:00 AM

6th Floor Boardroom 625 Fisgard St. Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

#### **PRESENT**

Directors: B. Isitt (Chair), D. Screech (Vice Chair), F. Haynes (10:03 am), J. Loveday, C. McNeil-Smith (EP), R. Martin (EP), R. Mersereau, J. Ranns, L. Seaton, M. Tait, G. Young, C. Plant (Board Chair, ex-officio)(EP)

Staff: L. Hutcheson, General Manager, Parks and Environmental Services; J. Leahy, Senior Manager, Regional Parks; B. Schultz, Manager Planning, Resource Management and Development, Regional Parks; T. Moss, Visitor Services & Community Development Manager, Regional Parks; M. Lagoa, Acting Deputy Corporate Officer; T. Pillipow, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP - Electronic Participation

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 am.

## 1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Chair Isitt provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

## 2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Director Seaton, SECONDED by Director Tait,
That the agenda for the November 25, 2020 Regional Parks Committee meeting
be approved.
CARRIED

## 3. Adoption of Minutes

## **3.1.** 20-759 Minutes of the October 28, 2020 Regional Parks Committee Meeting

MOVED by Director Mersereau, SECONDED by Director Loveday, That the minutes of the Regional Parks Committee meeting of October 28, 2020 be adopted as circulated. CARRIED

Director Haynes joined the meeting at 10:03 am.

### 4. Chair's Remarks

The Chair stated it was an honour serving as Chair of this committee. He thanked staff for all their hard work.

## 5. Presentations/Delegations

MOVED by Director Ranns, SECONDED by Director Tait,
That Alon Soraya be added as a delegation to the agenda to speak to item 6.1.
CARRIED

- 5.1. Delegation Alon Soraya; Representing the South Island Mountain Bike Society: Re: Agenda Item
- 6.1.: CRD Regional Parks Revenue Generation Strategy 2021-2024

Alon Soraya spoke against the parking fees option on Item 6.1.

#### 6. Committee Business

## **6.1.** 20-745 CRD Regional Parks Revenue Generation Strategy - 2021-2024

J. Leahy spoke to item 6.1.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- implications of increased fees and introduction of fees
- the criteria for determining which parks qualify for parking fees
- staff providing reports that outline the expected maintenance costs of land being considered for purchase
- the public consultation process
- implementing various levels of parking and camping fees
- sharing the parking revenue with host municipalities
- businesses using parks without appropriate permits
- that Mt. Work parking fees be applied only to the Hartland Landfill lot

#### MOVED by Director Isitt, SECONDED by Director Ranns,

That the Committee refer the matter to staff, to report back to the committee with revised recommendations with lower fee increases for:

- Parking
- Camping

**CARRIED** 

## MOVED by Director Plant, SECONDED by Director Isitt,

That the motion be amended to add the words "and or extended implementation timelines" after the words "lower fee increases...".

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Plant, SECONDED by Director Isitt,

That the motion be further amended to add the words "And ask staff to provide options for short-term paid parking" as a bullet below "camping".

CARRIED

MOVED by Director Plant, SECONDED by Director Isitt,

That the motion be further amended to add the words "Direct staff to have conversations with Central Saanich about paid parking at Island View Beach" as a bullet.

**CARRIED** 

MOVED by Director McNeil-Smith, SECONDED by Director Screech, That the motion be further amended to add the words "That staff consider what the implication would be on revenue if year round paid parking is considered" as a bullet.

**CARRIED** 

**OPPOSED: Tait, Young** 

MOVED by Director Isitt, SECONDED by Director Young,
That the motion be further amended to add the words "That other revised recommendations as recommended by staff" as a bullet.
CARRIED

MOVED by Director McNeil-Smith, SECONDED by Director Haynes,

That the motion be further amended to add the words "That staff provide options for considering acceleration of paid parking at the three parks in the report" as a bullet.

**CARRIED** 

MOVED by Director Isitt, SECONDED by Director Ranns,

That the Committee refer the matter to staff, to report back to the committee with revised recommendations with lower fee increases and or extended implementation timelines for:

- Parking
- Camping
- And ask staff to provide options for short-term paid parking
- Direct staff to have conversations with Central Saanich about paid parking at Island View Beach
- That staff consider what the implication would be on revenue if year round paid parking is considered
- Other revised recommendations as recommended by staff
- That staff provide options for considering acceleration of paid parking at the three parks in the report

**CARRIED** 

## **6.2.** South Island Transportation Strategy

MOVED by Director Isitt, SECONDED by Director Screech, That this item be referred to the Regional Parks Committee at the next regular meeting.

CARRIED

## 7. Notice(s) of Motion

There were no Notice(s) of Motion.

### 8. New Business

There was no new business.

## 9. Motion to Close the Meeting

## **9.1.** 20-761 Motion to Close the Meeting

MOVED by Director Loveday, SECONDED by Director Tait,
That this item be referred to the Regional Parks Committee at the next regular
meeting.
CARRIED

## 10. Adjournment

**Regional Parks Committee** 

MOVED by Director Screech, SECONDED by Director Tait,
That the November 25, 2020 Regional Parks Committee meeting be adjourned at
11:24 am.
CARRIED

Chair		
Recorder	 	