

40 MILE PARK MEETING
June 11th, 2009
TOWN OF BOW ISLAND OFFICE

1. Larry Weatherhead called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Present: Bruce Vine, Vern Beck, Doug Hancock, LeRon Torrie, Rob Fyke, Larry Weatherhead, Kim Dosman, Blair McNeely, Ron Hunt, Len Varjassy, Ron Lane

2. Minutes:

The minutes from the May 14th meeting were reviewed.

Business from the Minutes: None

Motion: Len Varjassy moved the minutes be adopted as amended.

Seconded: Doug Hancock seconded.

Carried.

3. Special Presentation – RCMP / May Long Weekend

A discussion was had about how we can be more proactive in minimizing the situation of a very large party taking place and getting out of control in the overflow camping area.

Motion: Len Varjassy moved that there be no overflow camping available for the May long weekend and that an alcohol ban be put into place for that weekend.

Seconded: Kim Dosman seconded.

Carried.

4. Financial Statement – Bruce Vine

The Financial Statement as of May 20, 2009 was distributed and reviewed.

Motion: Doug Hancock moved that the Financial Statement be adopted as presented.

Seconded: Len Varjassy seconded.

Carried.

Motion: Bruce Vine moved that \$156,058.34 be moved from the operations account to the Foundation.

Seconded: Kim Dosman seconded.

Carried.

Bruce has been working on the Capital Recovery and has cleaned up most of the accounts.

5. Report from the County – Ron Lane

Nothing to report.

6. Report from SMRID – LeRon Torrie

LeRon reported that he spoke to Ron Renwick about the geo-physical survey that was done on the park 10 years ago to see if he felt that the survey could be used to satisfy the County's requirements in the new land use by-law. Ron felt that the survey was done for a different purpose and could not see how it could be used. SMRID will make the report available to the County if they feel it applies. SMRID will discuss this with the County.

7. Committee Reports

Operations – Len Varjassy

The new irrigation system along the west fence line is completed and ready to be fired up. Len still has money in his budget so he would like to install an irrigation system along the south fence line and use up the rest of the budget.

The park has been testing a backhoe attachment for the John Deere tractor and it has been invaluable in the operation of the park.

Motion: Len Varjassy moved that we purchase the backhoe for \$6000.00.

Seconded: Ron Hunt seconded.

Carried.

Len talked with Phil Stella from the fireworks company. Len would like to spend \$7000.00 for the fireworks.

Motion: Doug Hancock moved that we spend \$7000.00 on fireworks.

Seconded: Bruce Vine seconded.

Carried.

Bruce Vine gave a special thanks to all the guys that helped install the irrigation systems.

Special Events & Fundraising – Kim Dosman

Nothing to report at this time.

Development – Doug Hancock

Doug and Bruce attended a meeting with the County of Forty Mile about the new land use by-law. Talks and work on the land use by-law are to be continued.

40 Mile Park Foundation – Vern Beck

Vern presented the nominations for the vacant positions on the Foundation.

Motion: Vern Beck moved that the nominations for Randy Garrecht and Mike Janzer be accepted.

Seconded: Doug Hancock seconded.

Carried.

Vern presented a financial statement for the Foundation. Vern stated that he will be having an organizational meeting before the next Committee meeting.

Park Manager - Rob Fyke

Operations are progressing nicely and we are getting the park ready for the July long weekend. Fertilizer is down and the park is greening up very nice.

8. Other Business

The Chairman raised an attendance issue with the Committee Member, Lorne Buis. Lorne has missed three meetings and by park policy a letter must be issued revoking his committee status on the board. The vacancy will not be filled this year

The Committee would like to have a BBQ and tour for the County and SMRID management.

Motion: Bruce Vine moved that we have the BBQ on July 17th, 2009.

Seconded: Ron Hunt seconded.

Carried.

8. Adjournment: The next Committee meeting will be held on July 9th, 2009.

Len Varjassy moved for adjournment at 9:03 p.m.