

Minutes of meeting on Tuesday, 28th August 2018.

Present: Allan, Ian, Graeme, Margie, Michael, Ralph, Rick, Tim.
Regrets Camilla, Frank, Gina, Harry, Howard.

Points of discussion:

The July 2018 minutes were approved as e-mailed.

Reports:

Allan maintained the Cross Island trail this month; Allan's report was previously distributed.

Our last trail clearing was conducted to only 2-brave souls, for what-ever reason other people found other things to do. Our 2- diehards only using hand tools managed to clear one of the feeder trails to the Railway Marsh Trail. Thank you from the rest of us.

Tim reported for the Parks Committee that a RoW on the east side of the new Denman Island Park has finally been approved, this in time will linkup with Park Road when a short trail that needs to be constructed links these areas up. That the CVRD are intending to make a piece of vacant land on Piercy Road into a CVRD Park. That the CVRD will hold a public meeting on September 8th at the Recycling Centre for public input into the way forward on the Cross Island Trail. Lastly that the Parks Committee did not want to be part of a 'Fire-watch" program.

Old Business:

Nothing to report.

New Business:

Allan reported that the Corrival RoW was not an option on the CVRD list of possible options for the up-coming CVRD public meeting. Allan will write the CVRD a letter to try to persuade them to add this option to the possible routes.

Wednesday, 19th September is the date for our next trail clearing; we will be clearing a short section of trail that branches off from the Railway Marsh trail. This trail clearing will most probably be "hand tools" only due to the fire risk. It will be good to put our skills with loppers and pruning saws to the test again. **Please meet at the trailhead of the Railway Marsh Trail at 9.30-am, (0930 hrs.)**

Allan informed the group that he and Graeme were planning a trip to do a round trip of Kwai Lake on Mt. Washington, a date to be set; when selected the date will be circulated for anyone interested in joining us on the hike. The round trip will be about 20-kilometers.

The Trails Committee thanked Margie and Ralph for hosting a summer picnic at their place. Margie suggested this could become a yearly feature for us.

A motion to purchase a bigger battery for our new blower was acclaimed. Allan will price one out and get a cheque issued from Doug Wright to pay for the battery.

Derek Moore of BC Parks will dismantle the old cabin north of Betty's Beach, he intends using some new rangers to do the work. (At time of writing, the cabin has now been dismantled; a pile of wood now serves as a reminder to its former glory.)

Allan needs to get the new members of our committee registered and will add the names of Boyd, Ian and Rick to our membership. Allan suggested removing Harry and Gina's names from our committee due to their unavailability to our committee. Allan will inform them of this.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

The Cross Island Trail maintenance walks are as follows:

Ian, September; Rick, October. Graeme, November; Michael, December; Allan, January: Tim. February?

Please call Allan if the maintenance person needs any of the following equipment:
Blower, Hedge trimmer, Brush cutter, rake, loppers, pruning saw.

Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday, 28th September at 7.30 am (19.30-hrs) at the Fire Hall.**