Minutes

Wreck Beach Preservation Society Nov. 17, 2011 - 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. West Area Parks Offices for Metro Vancouver

Present: Normand Auclare, Juan Battistini, Rick Fearman, Brian C. Johnson, Craig Heale, Marilyn Hogan, Hiro Hosono, Anne Kupis, Jo O'Hara, Diana McIntosh, Dave McKenzie, Laurie Merveille, Lance Read, Lucille Rodriguez, Leslie Stark, Judy Williams, MV –Richard Wallis Special Guest – Joe Stott, Koko Lafoka

I. WASHROOM MEETING: 5:30 p.m.-6:00-6:30 p.m. at Richard's Call-Your Input Needed ...Before, Not After the Fact! Deposition of excavated soils, plant prescriptions, and buffer vegetation (nettles included) between washrooms and beach

II. Guest Speaker-6:30-6:40 P.M.: Mr. Joe Stott from UBC Campus and Community Planning. 10-Minute Update on the latest developments at UBC with chance to ask questions.

Reviewed Westbrook Village (South) outline

25% for student housing was increased to 50% for all students. Over 50% of all endowment from property sales and housing is to be allocated to student future housing.

III. RCMP Report - no report

IV. Metro Vancouver Report- (6:50 p.m.-7:00- 15 Minutes Max, for all!!)

Operations:

(Anything not covered here, will be held over to the next meeting on January 12th, 2012):

(A) - Hilary's Creek and lack of WBPS involvement at Nov. 15 meeting before, not after the fact of the Society especially when it will entail the destruction of existing vegetation and the building of two temporary access roads across surf smelt beds to build a new coho and cutthroat spawning pool. No plans at this point in time to place a viewing platform for children right behind the naturist beach which could put us in conflict with textiles. For a project that is only a monitoring plan, this has suddenly grown wings...with Streamkeepers, Markus, A Fisheries rep, her student who has only been monitoring in Pacific Spirit Regional Park, the acting manager for West Area. We were told that due diligence had to be in place before Markus could bring the plan to us for comment. He also told me that since Fisheries had set up that meeting, that it wasn't his place to let us know about the meeting. Both the Fisheries rep and Markus knew from discussions I held with both of them last summer that we did not want a viewing platform like at the Spanish Banks Stream because of the potential conflict between nudists and clothed children whose parents could then complain about our sunbathing on the beach in line with the footbridge.

A heated discussion ensued. No permanent access road is tolerable. The Musqueam, WBPS and other citizens groups were not but should be included in planning.

(B)-Smoking Ban Plans or at least the thinking to date since the Metro Board passed the ban, effective on January 1, 2012

(C) MVParks are now called Metropolitan Planning, Environment and Parks

V- WBPS

Announcements

Nude-Only Swims: There will be November 19 & December 17 Nude-Only Swims at Lord Byng

(7:30-9:30 p.m.) Our first 2012 swim will be on January 21. No one admitted without official government or other photo ID; signatures must match the ID Budget Travel touted Wreck Beach as one of the world's greatest nude or clothing-optional beaches even if they did say that WB was only at the bottom of Trail 6. Date of our 16th Annual Bare Buns Run is now going to be Sunday, July 15 because those are the optimum tides! Let everyone know!

Your new WBPS calendar will be out by our January meeting which I am requesting be held on January 12th instead of January 19th .

B. New Business

1. Christmas Party (Lotsa volunteers needed! Hiro, Helen , Juan and Lily, on Coat Check; Normand on the bar; Ann K. floater; Willy, Chris, Cpt. Billie and Lance on the door; Brent and Barbara at snacks, coffee, drink tix; Judy on sales and memberships; raffle tix, etc. Hiro will be doing our posters and Leslie will be handling all things musical.

2. Bare Buns Run is a go for the 15th of July.

3. New Corporations Act and allotment of BN to the WBPS; possible need for a lawyer but looking into it carefully first through Chris Pineau.

C. Old Business

Meech Lake and the nudity ban-Importance of signage—in Gatineau Park! Saint-Lin-Laurentides

Other

NEXT MEETINGS: Christmas Party of Dec. 9 at the Anza Club and January 12th, 2012 WBPS Meeting. Note change of date for the next meeting moved up one week.

ADJOURNED at 7:00 p.m.