

CORCAN MEADOWOOD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Regular Meeting Held Thurs. Feb. 21st, 2019 at Arrowsmith Golf Club, Qualicum, BC

Attendees: Chris Burger, Eileen McMurchy, Alf Jablonski, Wayne Salter, and Annie Donald.

Regrets: Gerry Anderson, Dwayne Miller, Ramona Jones, Elaine Ivancic, and Nadine Briscoe

Guests: Bob Donald

Call to Order: The regular meeting was called to order at 12:57 p.m.

Approval of Previous Minutes: Wayne Salter moved to approve previous minutes of Jan. 10th, 2019, seconded by Alf Jablonski, Carried Unanimously.

Approval of Agenda: Eileen McMurchy moved to approve the Agenda; seconded by Alf Jablonski, Carried Unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Wayne Salter reported Bank Balances as at January 31st, 2019 as follows:

General Account: \$2,497.13 Highway Access Acct.: \$31,252.90

There has been a deposit of \$164.01 and no other recent activity on accounts, other than a very minor interest gain. Chris Burger made a motion to have the Treasurer investigate interest bearing investments at the Credit Union to transfer the bulk of the Highway Access Account into; seconded by Annie Donald, Carried Unanimously

Annie Donald moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Eileen McMurchy, Carried Unanimously.

Correspondence: It was moved by Wayne Salter, seconded by Alf Jablonski and Carried: that the following correspondence be received for information and follow-up, as necessary:

- (1) Letter received from Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure (Operations Manager, Central Island) as a follow-up to our Meeting with them in October, 2018.
- (2) Letter received from Regional District of Nanaimo, Recreation & Parks, as a follow-up to the C.M.R.A. Letter of Intent to Operate the New Meadowood Community Hall.

Reports of Board Members:

President's Report: President Chris Burger reported that we have not been successful in arranging a meeting with MLA Scott Fraser. Chris will continue attempts to connect with MLA Fraser.

Chris has connected with the R.D.N. regarding Emergency Access options and suggestions. Response following their RDN Emergency Staff consultation indicates the following:

“R.D.N. has confirmed that the proposed replacement bridge over the Little Qualicum River at the end of Corcan, will meet the vehicle specification requirements for an alternative access for response to this area. They have further confirmed with Parks that the bridge design would provide an alternative access route for emergency evacuations to the ‘one road in/out’ community”.

Please refer to Exhibit “A” for more detail on this bridge replacement project.

Vice President’s Report: Alf Jablonski spoke to the letter of response from the Regional District of Nanaimo regarding the C.M.R.A. “Proposal of Intent” to operate the new Meadowood Community Hall for the Regional District of Nanaimo. There are a couple of details that need to be addressed pertaining to possible minor changes in our Constitution, as well as presenting a comprehensive business plan from the CMRA. We await further direction from the R.D.N. on specific procedures.

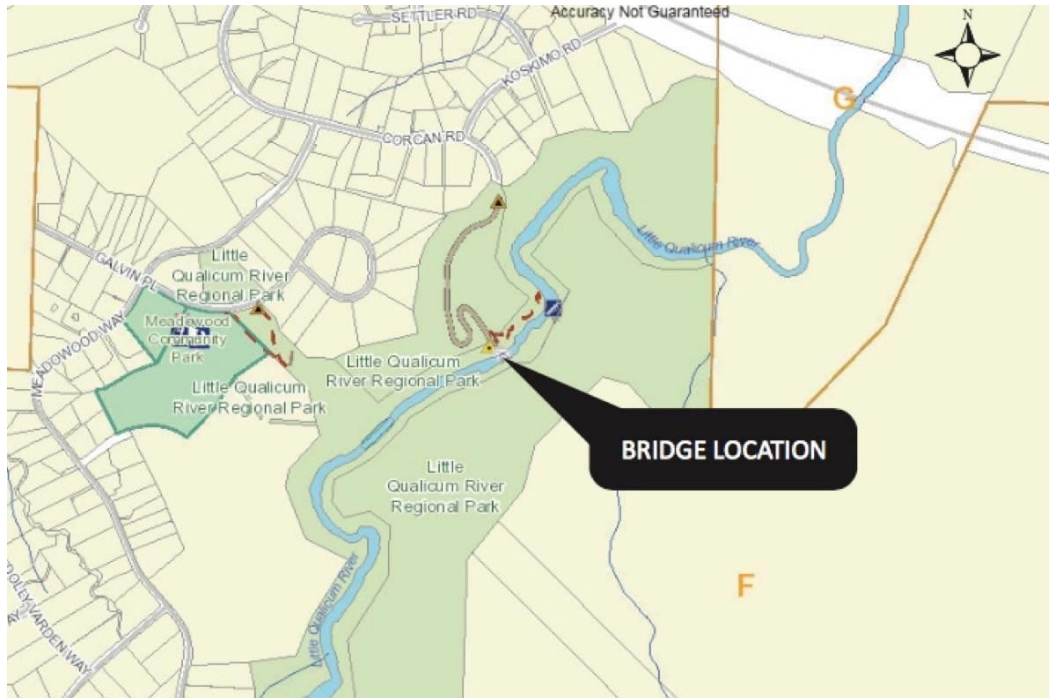
Reports: Annie Donald moved to accept the Reports as presented, seconded by Eileen McMurchy, Carried Unanimously.

Old Business: Discussion on new signage at the Corcan underpass was deferred until next meeting.

New Business: Eileen McMurchy moved that we investigate and reaffirm what changes may need to be addressed in our Constitution relating to the New Community Hall, seconded by Annie Donald, Carried Unanimously.

Next Meeting Date: Friday, March 15th, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. - Arrowsmith Golf & Country Club, 2250 Fowler Road, Qualicum Beach, B.C.

Adjournment of Regular Meeting: Chris Burger moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 1:59 p.m., seconded by Alf Jablonski, Carried Unanimously.



The Regional District of Nanaimo plans to build a new bridge at Little Qualicum River Regional Park. — RDN Map

More money to be set aside for \$839K Little Qualicum River Park bridge

Old bridge was taken down in 2017 due to safety concerns [Michael Briones](#) Feb. 9, 2019 . 9:30 am

The Regional District of Nanaimo now has a detailed design of a new bridge it plans to build at Little Qualicum River Regional Park.

The old bridge was taken down in 2017 due to safety concerns. The RDN board agreed to replace it for recreational access, environmental concerns and emergency access. The replacement bridge project was then included in the five-year regional parks capital plan and \$750,000 was allotted for the new crossing.

Herold Engineering completed a detailed design and costing for the new bridge. It identified the cost to construct a dual steel girder and cast-in-place concrete bridge to be \$839,910, with construction projected to start in 2020.

However, the amount the RDN earmarked for the project is not enough to cover the \$839,910 estimated cost of the new bridge. Staff recommended that the board increase the funding for the project when the 2020-2024 financial plan is established.

Staff also recommended the bridge replacement project to proceed to tender.

The regional district acquired the Little Qualicum River property in 1999 as parkland dedication from the Qualicum River Estates subdivision process. The park borders private residential lands, private development lands (Wicklow West Holdings), the Little Qualicum Falls Provincial Park to the south, and Island Timberlands property to the northeast. Meadowood Community Park also adjoins the park along Galvin Place.

The acquisition included the haul bridge across the river that was damaged and eventually torn down.