GALIANO ISLAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes
Oct. 27, 2025
1290 Sturdies Bay Road

Present: Commissioners Keith Erickson, Jim Henshall, Barry New, Murray Scadeng, Frank Dewaard, Eric Sherbine, Mechele Crocker(EP) **Regrets**: Cathy Clinton, Paul Brent.

Staff: Emma Davis(CRD Liaison) Lori Seay (EP),Michael Carrothers(Maintenance Contractor) EP=Electronic Participation

1. CALL TO ORDER & LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Call to order at 9 AM. Chair Erickson provided a territorial acknowledgement.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION by Commissioner Erickson, Seconded by Commissioner Sherbine that the 27 Oct. 2025 agenda be approved. **CARRIED**.

- 3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**: Tabled.
- 4. **DELEGATIONS**
- 5. **REPORTS**
 - 5.1 **Shore Access and Trails Update:** Tabled.
 - 5.2 **Maintenance Contractor Update:** A report was circulated prior to the meeting.
 - 5.4 **Shore Stewards:** Tabled.
 - 5.5 **Betty's Place update**: GIPRC Chair met with the Kennedy Advisory Committee to review Kennedy-related Master Planning results. The Committee noted that achieving Betty's full vision is outside the capacity of the Commission. The Committee will investigate opportunities for outside support and partnerships.

Short term actions at the Kennedy site will focus on addition of a trail, garden consolidation and irrigation and this will be reflected in the 2026 GIPRC Master Plan. Michael and Comm. Erickson have roughly mapped a trail and will work in partnership with Galiano Trails and Galiano Club to ensure the best route and connectivity to the island's trail network. A hydrology report may be sought because the neighbour has terminated access to their pond. Longer term plans include addressing the potable water supply and a decking assessment.

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5.6 Treasurer's Report:

5.6.1 **September Financials:** Sept. 2025 financial statements were circulated before the meeting.

MOTION to accept the GIPRC financial reports for Sept. 2025 as circulated. M-Comm.Scadeng, S-Comm.Dewaard. **CARRIED**.

5.6.2 **Draft 2026 Budgets:** V.2 Draft 2026 Operating and Capital Budgets were circulated prior to the meeting.

MOTION to close the meeting in accordance with 90(1)(a) of the Community Charter. M- Comm. Erickson, S-Commissioner New. **CARRIED.**

The Commission closed at 9:35 AM and reopened the meeting at 10:50 AM.

MOTION to approve the GIPRC 2026 Operating Budget for CRD Recommendation. M-Comm. Scadeng, S-Comm. Dewaard. **CARRIED**.

MOTION to approve the GIPRC 2026 Kennedy Park Capital and Operating Budgets. M-Comm. Scadeng, S-Comm. Erickson. **CARRIED**.

MOTION to approve the 2026 Capital Budget as adjusted for CRD Recommendation. M-Comm. Scadeng, S-Comm. Henshall. **CARRIED.**

6. Chair's Report

- **6.1 Master Planning Update:** The Draft Master Plan, draft First Nations Engagement Capacity Funding Letter and draft "What We Heard" report are all in final review stages with CRD and the First Nations Engagement team. The Draft Master Plan will be circulated to Penelakut First Nation and Commissioners in early November. Following First Nations feedback, the final Master Plan is slated for January 2026 review by the Commission.
- 6.2 **Correspondence:** Montague toilet paper dispenser has been replaced with a tamper proof design following multiple reports of the toilet being routinely out of stock. CRD has confirmed that an arborist Tyson Cornfield has been contracted for future tree work.

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6.3 Commissioner Terms: All Commissioners agreed to reach out to potential replacements prior to the new extended deadline for applications on November 10.

7. New Business

7.1 **Contracts:** Current Maintenance Contract expires in Feb 2026 and will be reviewed at the October meeting.

ACTION: Lori will circulate the current Maintenance Contract to Commissioners in the Nov. 2025 agenda package.

7.2 **Zuker Project**: Comm. Crocker asked for further conversation on the project.

ACTION: Chair will follow up with Comm. Crocker regarding the Zuker project.

- 8. **Next Meeting:** 9:00 AM, Nov. 13. Galiano Library Meeting Room/Zoom.
- 9. **Adjournment**:

Approved at the 13 November 2025 GIPRC Meeting:

Keith Erickson

Chair-PIPRC