

GALIANO ISLAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2026

1290 Sturdies Bay Road

Present: Commissioners Murray Scadeng, Frank De Waard, Nick Rebalski, Cathy Clinton, Jim Henshall, Jamie Williams, Rob Fawcett(CRD Alt. Director). **Regrets:** Commissioners Mechelle Crocker and Paul Brent

Guests: Kendall McLaughlin, Julia Hendricks, Julie Thiebert, Akasha Forest

Staff: Emma Davis(EP), CRD Liaison, Lori Seay-Potter(GIPRC Admin), *EP=Electronic Participation*

1. CALL TO ORDER & LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Call to order at 4:03 PM. Chair De Waard provided a territorial acknowledgement.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Commissioner De Waard, Seconded by Commissioner Sherbine that the 14 May 2026 agenda be approved. **CARRIED.**

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION by Commissioner Henshall, Seconded by Commissioner Clinton that the April 3 minutes be approved as circulated. **CARRIED.**

4. DELEGATIONS: NONE.

5. CHAIR REPORT and CORRESPONDENCE

Chair reminded Commissioners to direct community questions and delegations to the CRD email for record keeping. MOTT License of Occupation list has been confirmed with CRD for negotiation with MOTT. Chair has been working with GIPRC and CRD staff to respond to the First Nations feedback on the draft Master Plan.

6. REPORTS

6.1 **Betty's Place update:** Public trail visit with Galiano Club Directors is planned for fall 2026. A mid-term planning document is under development. A gardening support request will come to the June meeting.

6.2 **Shore Access and Trails Update:** Sturdies Bay Trail improvements continue. Cayzer continues to be closed to the public and is slated for improvement. Zuker improvements are scheduled for summer. Maintenance Contractors' report will be circulated following the meeting.

6.3 **Shore Stewards Update:** Comm. Clinton reported on increased feedback from stewards this month. Zilwood neighbours have complained about the City West installation of a pipe and have been directed to contact City West to represent their concerns.

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6.4 Treasurer’s Report: The monthly financial report was circulated prior to the meeting. Funding for \$10,000 has been provided from the Outdoor Recreation Fund of BC from CRD for school-side improvements to Sturdies Bay Trail, following up on the work of the 2024-2025 “Ready Step Roll” initiative.

MOTION to amend the 2026 GIPRC Capital plan to establish a new project for the Outdoor Recreation Fund of BC Grant project for school-side improvements to Sturdies Bay Trail M- Comm. Clinton , S- Comm. Sherbine **CARRIED.**

MOTION to accept the GIPRC financial reports for Apr. 2026 as circulated. M-Comm.Scadeng, S-Comm Rebalski. **CARRIED.**

6.5 Recreation Funds: Commissioner Williams reported as Chair of the 2026 Recreation Funds Committee. Funds were oversubscribed by over 30% and Commissioners conducted a thorough review over several sessions to craft a recommendation for a 2026 Recreation Grants Funding Package.

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

The Commission closed at 4:35 PM and reopened the meeting at 4:47 PM.

MOTION to adopt the recommendation of the 2026 Recreation Grants Committee and forward the following list of Grant Recipients to CRD for approval and disbursement.

\$1,500.00	Active Passive Performance Society
\$1,200.00	Coro Galiano
\$500.00	Galiano Club (Winter Gardening)
\$1,000.00	Galiano Club (Gleaning)
\$1,000.00	Galiano Community School Parent Advisory Council (PAC)
\$1,000.00	Galiano Conservancy Association
\$900.00	Galiano Activity Center Society (Daycare)
\$1,500.00	Galiano Golf Club
\$750.00	Galiano Health Care Society
\$23,500.00	Galiano Activity Center Society
\$3,500.00	North Galiano Community Association
\$1,200.00	Galiano Activity Center Society(Galiano Playgroup
\$1,200.00	Coro Galiano (Sturdies BAYBS)

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\$1,000.00	YellowHouse Art Centre Society
\$1,000.00	Galiano Trails Society
\$500.00	Galiano Arts Alliance
\$500.00	Galiano Rod and Gun Club Society
\$800.00	Galiano Museum Society
\$900.00	Galiano Youth Recreation Group
\$675.00	North Galiano Community Association(Just Dance)
\$1,500.00	Galiano Library Society
\$45,625.00	TOTAL

M-Comm. Williams, S- Comm. Clinton **CARRIED.**

6.6 Master Plan: Chair and Admin have been working with the CRD First Nations Engagement Team to respond to feedback from Penekakut.

7. CAPITAL PROJECTS

7.1 Sturdies Bay Trail Extension: Detailed design is the next recommendation. External funding sources will need to be identified. Murray will identify a grant writer. Emma will send grant writer options to Murray and Chair.

7.2 Zuker Shore Access: Chair met with Jeannine Georgeson and Thomas Barrymore to establish the project activities.

7.3 Trail Mapping Coordination: Galiano Trails Society (GTS) has hired Keith Erickson as project coordinator, with assets being shared by GTS and GIPRC.

7.4 Multi-Sport Court: Lion’s Club is actively pursuing progress on the Multi-sport court.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Outdoor Recreation Fund BC grant and activities: Commissioners Sherbine and Rebalski and Emma have been developing a list of possible improvements to the school side. This small group will work with the Maintenance Contractor to direct planned work.

8.2 Trail Counters: One trail counter has been sent to the Commission from CRD which has been installed on a popular trail, and will be relocated after one month to a different site.

8.3 Galiano Trails Society Signage: Galiano Trails Society plans to install new signage on their trail network using Hulqimenum language and images by a Coast Salish artist, and is asking GIPRC to consider doing similar signage. GIPRC thanks GTS for sharing information and noted that signage changes for GIPRC must be informed by master planning and consultation with CRD.

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8.4 Communications: Lori will prepare a Recreation Grants Report for the July issue. Aug. and Sept. issues will be addressed at the June meeting. GIPRC will participate in the upcoming Fiesta and Jamboree events. Lori will book a table and Comm. Scadeng and Clinton will host.

9. **Next Meeting Date:** June 4, 2026.

10. **Adjournment** at 5:39 PM.

Approved at the 04 Jun 2026 GIPRC Meeting:

Frank De Waard

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GIPRC Chair