

VANCOUVER ISLAND PARKS AND GROUNDS SUPERVISORS' ASSOCIATION

Tuesday, January 18, 2011
Vancouver Island Health Authority
Queen Alexandra Hospital
2400 Arbutus Road
Saanich

9:15 a.m.

MINUTES

In Attendance:

Richard Waterfield (CRD Parks)
Ken Hilchey (City of Victoria Parks)
Al Hood (School District # 61)
Don Dojack (Saanich Parks)
Shaen McRae (Esquimalt Parks)
Murray McCaig (City of Victoria Parks)
Roger Charles (Horticulture Centre of the Pacific)
Barrie Agar (Royal Roads University)
Carlos Da Silva (DND)
Gord Smith (City of Victoria Parks)
Gary Hadfield (VIHA)
Invited guests from VIHA

Meeting was called to order at 9:20 a.m.

Approval of and additions to the agenda:

Agenda approved with additions under New Business

Approval of minutes of the December 2010 meeting:

Reviewed and approved

Treasurer's Report:

- Unavailable

New Business:

- **Tulip Festival 2011 Field Trip (Skagit Valley)**
 - Roger updated the group on planning for this proposed field trip. It is tentatively scheduled for April during a work week (Monday to Friday).
 - Specific dates will be set assuming there is enough interest to make it a go.
 - It will require an overnight stay at or near Bellingham, Washington.
 - For this to work, we will need a commitment of interest from a minimum of 40 people at an approximate cost of \$200 per person as it looks right now.
 - **Ken and Roger will put together an information package with more details for send out to the group with an rsvp for the February 15 meeting.**
- **2011 VIPGSA Trade Show**
 - Due to time constraints this item was deferred to the February meeting
 - We will need to establish a planning committee for this event.
 - Possible location will be Topaz Park.
- **2011 VIPGSA Meeting Schedule and Locations**
 - Locations discussion deferred to February's meeting due to time constraints

Earthquake Preparedness Presentation – Lessons from the Christchurch, New Zealand Experience

- Rob Johns and Brock Henson gave us a very interesting and informative presentation on the Christchurch, New Zealand earthquake of 2010 and the lessons that can be learned from it for the greater Victoria area.
- **Thanks to both of you for taking the time to come to our meeting!**

Updates:

- **Deferred to next meeting due to time constraints**

NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2011

**CITY OF VICTORIA PARKS YARD
BEACON HILL PARK
VICTORIA**

9:15 a.m.