

# VANCOUVER ISLAND PARKS AND GROUNDS SUPERVISORS' ASSOCIATION

Tuesday, December 20, 2011  
Cedar Hill Golf Course  
Saanich

10:00 a.m.

## MINUTES

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### In Attendance:

Al Hood (School District # 61)  
Don Dojack (Saanich Parks)  
Roger Charles (Horticulture Centre of the Pacific)  
Dan Marzocco (City of Victoria Parks)  
Richard Waterfield (CRD Regional Parks)  
Gary Hadfield (VIHA)  
Dave Deshane (Retired Saanich Parks)  
Tim Richards (Consultant)  
Gail Pasaluko (City of Nanaimo Parks)  
Carlos Moniz (Butchart Gardens)  
Carlos Da Silva (DND)  
Zak Henderson (Swan Lake Nature Sanctuary)  
Andrew Giles (Saanich Parks)  
Jacob Colyn (City of Port Alberni)  
Ron Carter (Sannich Parks)

- Meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m.
- Agenda was approved with 3 additional new business items
- November 2011 meeting minutes reviewed and approved

### Treasurer's Report:

- December 2011 bank balance: \$3064.77
- Two exhibitors have not yet paid the \$100 exhibitors fee for the 2011 VIPGSA Trade Show (**Ray to contact them**)

## New Business:

- **Western Canada Turfgrass Association (WCTA) Donation**
  - The group approved that the VIPGSA would give the WCTA \$1000 in recognition of their contributions to our trade show **(Ray)**
  - The WCTA is holding the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference and Trade Show in Victoria from January 21 to 24
  - More information at <http://www.wctaturf.com/>
  
- **2012 BCRPA 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Parks and Grounds Spring Training Conference**
  - There was some discussion about the possibility of this annual conference being hosted on Vancouver Island in the future
  - More information at [http://www.bcrpa.bc.ca/recreation\\_parks/parks/spring\\_training.htm](http://www.bcrpa.bc.ca/recreation_parks/parks/spring_training.htm)
  
- **2012 BCRPA Symposium**
  - It is in Victoria at the Conference Centre from May 9 to 11
  - More information at <http://www.bcrpa.bc.ca/symposium-2012>
  
- **2012 Meeting Dates and Hosts**
  - January 17 – CRD Regional Parks
  - February 21 – Horticulture Centre of the Pacific
  - March 20 – City of Nanaimo
  - April 17 – Butchart Gardens (**to be confirmed by Carlos Moniz**)
  - May 29 – City of Victoria Parks
  - Meeting locations for September to December are still to be confirmed
  - If you are interested in and able to host, please let Richard know
  
- **Education Sessions (Andrew Giles)**
  - There was quite a bit of discussion around parks and grounds educational and training opportunities or the lack thereof.
  - **Andrew** will contact the BCRPA to explore the possibilities of having some education sessions here perhaps during the 2012 Symposium
  - Roger Charles also spoke about the training opportunities available through the Horticulture Centre of the Pacific including small

equipment operation training in February and requested that people let him know what training needs are out there.

- Roger also advised that HCP in 2011 was second only to Kwantlen College in registrations!
- More information can be found at HCP's website:  
<http://hcp.ca/college-at-hcp/>

- **Election of Executive**

- Elections are held every two years
- **The executive for 2012 to 2014 is:**
  - **President/Chair: Don Dojack**
  - **Treasurer: Ray Laursen**
  - **Recorder: Richard Waterfield**

## **NEXT MEETING**

**Tuesday, January 17, 2012**

**CRD Regional Parks**

**Cedar Meeting Room**

**490 Atkins Avenue**

**Langford**