



Western Valley Regional Service Commission: Recreation Committee

Meeting of June 8, 2017, 6:00 p.m. – 3143 Main Street, Centreville

Attendance:

Brian Hayden (Chair)
Chris Stacey
Kent Kuhn
Elaine English
Craig Melanson
Brent Pearson

Staff: Neil Antworth, Katelyn Hayden

Regrets:

Kari Harper- Merrithew

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by the Chair.

Agenda:

It was moved by Craig Melanson and seconded by Brent Pearson to approve the agenda.
Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

It was moved by Craig Melanson and seconded by Chris Stacey to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2017 meeting as presented.

Motion carried.

Business arising from the Minutes: Chris Stacey asked if the letter from the association had been read to the board, it was confirmed that it was.

New Business:

Seed Position- The summer position has been filled. The student will assist Neil with data collection, GPS trails, boat landing etc. and with the development of the online mapping.

Draft Volunteer Recruitment Strategy- is currently under development and when ready for committee review it will be forwarded via email.

Recreation Mapping- There was a discussion around the development of the mapping for the website. There individual layers have been developed. The trails layer to date includes approximately 51 trails, and 14 waterfalls. There was a discussion around whether or not we



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should be mapping Mt. Carleton connections, as there is no decision on this topic. Neil has estimated a cost of \$700 to have the mapping developed for the website.

It was moved by Craig Melanson and seconded by Brent Pearson to approve the \$700 for the development of the website pages.

Motion carried.

Handheld GPS- Neil explained that there is a need for a GPS to locate trails, boat launches and other features for the mapping. Staff have been using their cellphones for this task; however, cellular service is not available in some of the areas. The committee discussed whether \$200 was sufficient funds to purchase a good quality device. It was determined that \$200 was not sufficient for what staff felt they required.

It was moved by Kent Kuhn and seconded by Chris Stacey to approve staff to spend \$400 on the purchase of a handheld GPS device.

Motion carried.

Semi-Annual Newsletter- Neil Antworth discussed with the committee the best timing for the release of the first newsletter. It was determined that late fall would likely be the best option, capturing the regions winter events and programs. It was suggested that a partnership with the Bugle Observer to highlight some of the regions events should also be pursued.

Membership in the Western Valley Recreation Association: Neil Antworth would like to become an associate member of the Association at a cost of \$150.00

It was moved by Brent Pearson and seconded by Craig Melanson to approve the \$150 for Neil Antworth to become an associate member of the Western Valley Recreation Association.

Motion carried

Next Meeting: TBA

It was moved by Craig Melanson to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Motion Carried



Brian Hayden, Chair