

Roberts Creek Official Community Plan Committee (RCOCPC)

Meeting Minutes: September 7, 2011

Roberts Creek School

Present: Elaine Futterman, Norma Brow, Scott Avery, Sheila Wilson, Dianne Sanford, Mike Allegretti, Roger Richmond, Mark Lebbell

Regrets: Jeff Rosnau, Linda Hoechstetter, Donna Shugar,

Guests: Carolann Glover

Director:

Absent: John Ennis

Agenda: The following agenda was agreed upon:

- 1) Approve agenda
- 2) Approve previous minutes
- 3) BCTS Cut Blocks
- 4) OCP Review Update
- 5) Fall Initiatives
- 6) Directors Report
- 7) OCPC Elections
- 8) Next Meeting

1) *Agenda was approved*

2) *Approval of Previous Minutes:*

Scott moved and Mike seconded that the minutes of June 7, 2011 be adopted.

3) *BCTS Cut Blocks*

A letter was written over the summer to Norm Kempe, Planning Forester, BCTS Campbell River to express our concerns regarding the BCTS Mt Elphinstone sales schedule for 2011/2012. The main points were that the planned activities would extend some existing very large cut blocks and log in old growth forest areas. See attached letter and response from Norma Kempe.

There was discussion on what are positive proactive steps that can be taken to save the trees. Other groups on the coast are also working at educating the public regarding Dakota Ridge and Wilson Creek logging plans.

4) *OCP Review Update*

There are 10-15 pages left to finalize before the draft OCP will be presented to the SCRD Board. Draft copies will be provided to OCPC members. First reading is planned for the October Planning Meeting. Carol Ann expressed her concerns regarding language being used for Rural and Residential land use designations. She will circulate her concerns to the group for comment.

5) *Fall Initiatives*

Forestry, invasive plants, trail strategy and the SCTS actions will continue to be monitored. Sheila will continue to attend SCTS meetings when available. An inquiry as to the SCRD's

plans for the Suncoaster Trail and the Public Process is to be requested. Field trips were recommended to be part of that process.

6) Directors Report

Donna submitted some items by email.

- Suggestions for improvements to Henderson Beach site were requested.
- Zero Waste Management Plan will be presented at Infrastructure Services Committee tomorrow at 1:30pm.
- Contract for pedestrian pathway in downtown RC has been award and work should begin in October.
- Sept 14 is the public hearing for the new West Howe Sound OCP at Eric Cardinal Hall.

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7) OCPC Elections are happening in November

Anyone with suggestions for new members is asked to approach or submit names to Elaine for her to follow up.

8) Next Meeting

October 19, 2011

OCP Review Items:

The following items have been identified so far:

1. Addition of a mission statement
2. Road allowances – conversion to paths/Greenways
3. Change bylaws to permit home based business proprietors to be able to teach or offer classes.
4. Property usages
5. More types of unique zoning.
6. Downtown parking (new)
7. Terms of reference and a mission statement
8. Short term rentals

Parking Lot

Amphibian Habitat Restoration Area