## Minutes Wreck Beach Preservation Society September 20, 2012 - 6-7 P.M. MV – West Area Office

Present: Rick Fearman, Craig Heale, Barb Maloney, Brent Partridge, Lance Read, Doug Simpson, Judy Williams, MV – Richard Wallis

## I.RCMP Updates – St.Sgt. Kevin Jones; Constable Kaylie Corrin

- A. A younger crowd at the beach this year with a greater disregard for policing.
- B. Alternate chemical based drugs resulted in more hovercraft attendance.
- C. The boat issue was noticeable, however, the closest boat is in Richmond.
  - 1. They came out a few times along with Vancouver Police Department boat.
  - 2. RCMP West Coast Marine Section are also available at times if in the area.
- D. Jurisdiction RCMP police the waters.
  - 1. It is currently legal for the boats to be there operated in a safe manner.
  - 2. Drinking and operating a boat is not legal.
  - 3. Rafting is legal but drinking on a boat is illegal as raft becomes a public place.
- E. RCMP Last meeting attending until approximately April or May

## II. West Area Parks Updates

- A. Washroom and cosmetic works around washrooms, top and bottoms and in ledge area where previous washrooms were located. While Judy Williams remains opposed to washrooms on the beach itself, the accolades have been pouring in and many folks thank MV for a job well done, albeit late and responsible for weakening of the cliff at the Trail 6 bottom. We would still appreciate the possibility of a berm being considered as a buffer zone to the view-scape from the beach toward the washrooms so they are not so in our faces. Although the indigenous plants planned for the ledges suit our native plant consultant, Anne, we'd like to see those final plans. During December MV will likely leave one toilet on beach open and the upper toilets open at trail 6.
- B. Vendor Permits/Room in the Bins: Vendor's Report: Brent and Richard-Fall Vendors' meeting before October 2 when many vendors are leaving for the winter. In the process of reviewing permit fee increase. Some concerns were brought up about one of the long time vendors about whom a formal complaint was filed with the RCMP.
- C. Water Quality Monitoring results relatively low.
- D. Richard, we need the names and contact information of the planning Committee: UBC, Banks, Highways and person or persons responsible for approving the Marine Drive runs And, whenever you meet with these guys next, we would

- appreciate an invitation so that we may speak to beach events and issues with these running/biking, etc. marathons for our selves.
- E. The VAFFC and status of Port Metro Vancouver on bringing jet fuel into the Fraser Estuary, regardless of which Arm. EAO time frame is tight and WBPS is pushing all MV member to stop this.
- F. Metro's position on closure of Kits Coast Guard Station- WBPS Letter to Keith Ashfield ready to go.
- G. Hilary's Creek (Hilary Stewart) Work Plans Status. Judy now in contact with Musqueam's Leona Sparrow who seems possibly to be over-burdened with issues at the moment. She is thinking about this issue.
- H. The NEED TO KNOW (N2N) why the Liability Act of BC and the striking of a waterlot lease with PMV for a combined liability insurance to the tune of \$6-million (as stewards and as park-PMV) does NOT allow MV to enforce its own bylaws in the water-lot lease they are jointly sharing with PMV until Dec. 30, 2013. (I will read out Cecile's letter)
- I. Other:
- III. WBPS-A. Announcements: Nude-Only WBPS Swim on October 20-7:30-Lord Byng Pool behind the school between Crown and Wallace. Volunteers needed at table and to help put up the curtains. Call Judy at 604-856-9598 if you can help.
- IV. FALL TO WINTER MEETINGS THIS SUMMER: Oct. 18; Nov. 15 and no meeting in December because of the Christmas Party on Dec. 7(Fri.) –Meetings resume the third Thursday night of January 2013.

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