

## **Qualicum Beach Streamkeepers Society Board Meeting July 11, 2018 Qualicum Foods Boardroom**

Present: David James (Chair), John Grodzki, John Phillips, Pat Jacobson, Gord Almond, Mick McDonald, Louella MacVicar, Peter Drummond

### Items of Business:

1. Minutes of May 9th, 2018 Meeting - Moved by Peter, seconded by John, that the minutes be accepted. Carried.

2. Financial Update - Mick reported the following balances in our accounts: Faye Smith Memorial Account \$86,106. (Funds raised to date are at \$98,230 plus \$12,700 committed but not received. ) Our chequing account has a balance of \$1772.56 and the savings account is at \$7625.38.

### 3. Project Activity

#### **Seaside Nature Park/Faye Smith Memorial**

Progress has been slower in the past month or two due to vacations, and a very busy construction environment. Pavilion and Panorama Signs are complete, and just need a final proofing for colour quality before printing. The Grandon Creek Signs are in their first draft. A plan needs to be put together for the vegetation signage. A copy of all finalized signage to be distributed to the Board, and all other to be reviewed with the Board. We are in the process of finalizing the Bench design for the pavilion. All the timber needs a protective coat....Streamkeepers will be able to help with that. We will determine an optimum time to remove remaining ivy on the site.

#### **Grandon Creek Smolt Fence**

Agreed that we want to continue with this program. Dave Davies on vacation, Peter/David to follow-up re fence design and construction.

## **Grandon Creek Work Party**

Agreed to set-up for Thursday, July 19th at 9:00AM. Start at Hoy Lake End of the Trail. Pat to send out notice.

## **Beach Creek Culvert Replacement at Village Way**

John to contact the Town to determine the planting plan and find out what accommodation was made for the resident fish.

## **Little Qualicum River Estuary Plantings**

John reports ok for now, future watering may be more complicated with lower fresh water levels.

## **Fish in the Ditch**

Don is working with MVIHES on this program, no need for more volunteers at this point.

## **Forage Fish Training Session with Ramona de Graaf**

Peter and Don attended this informative session held on the beach north of Rath Trevor, focussed on sand lance and surf smelt.

## **RDN Water Monitoring**

Gord advises Training will take place on July 24th 9:30 to Noon at the French Creek Hatchery. John K, Mick, and John will attend. Conditions permitting, the monitoring will start on August 7th for 5 weeks, and on October 9th for 5 weeks.

#### 4. Policy

Project Watershed - Coastal Restoration

David advises that MVIHES not interested at this time and that the amount of effort might not be warranted. We agreed we would not pursue at this point.

#### 5. Events/Communication

David to speak to Newcomers Alumni Group.  
Beach Day coming up Sunday July 15th. Streamkeepers will be participating with a seaweed display, and Dave Clough will be there with beach seining.

#### 6. Website

We will continue with the home page focus on Faye until September.

7. Next Meeting - Wednesday, August 8th if required.

8. Adjournment - Moved by John, seconded by Pat that the meeting be adjourned. Carried.

Prepared by Pat Jacobson, Secretary  
July 12th, 2018