

NORTH SHORE STREAMKEEPERS

Minutes – Planning Meeting July 22, 2008

Present: Karen Munro, chair, Ron den Daas, Terry Bragg, Jan Landers, Doug Hayman, Joyce Mathieson, Dick Pearce, ZoAnn Morten.

T-shirts: These are useful to identify group members during work parties and as awards on special occasions. After extensive discussion, the group agreed that the shirts should display a large North Shore Streamkeepers' logo. Ron den Daas agreed to meet the manufacturer to create a design and was authorized to order red, navy blue and light green in a range of sizes.

Business cards: Several formats for a card were reviewed and the group agreed unanimously on one of the designs. The card should contain a space for the user's name and, if available, a contact telephone number. Joyce Mathieson agreed to consult with SIR Printing about the production details and to order 500 to 1000 cards for use by members of the group.

Telephone: The streamkeepers' line on the District's phone system has not been operational. Dick Pearce agreed to make enquiries to determine if this can be corrected.

Sandwich board: A portable sign which can be placed at a work site to notify the passing public about the nature of the Streamkeepers' activity taking place at that time, would help the educational aspects of the group's programmes. The possibility of finding suitable equipment will be investigated by Karen.

Brochure: The present brochure needs reprinting as we have run out. It will be reviewed for accuracy by all, final update by Karen. We will consider the possibility of including a loose sheet publicizing current events, this will be investigated by Joyce Mathieson. A print run of 1000 copies will be priced.

Coho Walk: The activities this year will take place along the Capilano River and will likely not include Ambleside Park. The group agreed to participate in manning demonstration booths along the river and suggested an emphasis on water quality and coliform contamination for the topics. – too late, the passports are printed already – we will do invasive plants, but we can mention water quality if we like.

Rivers Day: The celebration will be held at Morten Creek to celebrate the twentieth anniversary of the hatchery on Saturday, September 27th from 1100h to 1500h.

Hunter Park, Hastings Creek: Janet Dysart wants to organize another invasive plant removal by local residents.

Heywood Park, McKay Creek: Karen Munro is organizing a further cleanup of invasive plants, also on a weekend during August.

Upper McKay: Ron den Daas is organizing a second NSSK Community Art Project Review on August 23 from 1000h to 1300h. Details of the project are available on the web site.

Photos on the web site: Bob Parrot has agreed to be responsible for placing event photographs on the web, he will work with Pat to set up a protocol.

Presentation to District Council: A commentary on NSSK activities with highlights on our works / data collection with invasive plants and water quality will be presented on an occasion to be arranged.

Calendar: The overlapping of events could be avoided if each planned event was listed on a calendar which is posted on the web site. Copies could be printed for issue to the public. Set up an online calendar for group organizers to share to ensure we don't overlap our events too much. ZoAnn and Pat to set up. (post meeting but check out <http://www.nssk.ca/events/calendar.html> as an example of what we can do)

Kiosk: A multisection display protected from the weather would be ideal for informing the public about stream related concerns on MacKay Creek. Karen and Ron will discuss with the City Parks Dept.

Invoices: Members arranging for pre approved expenditures on behalf of the group must retain invoices and present these to the treasurer, Terry Bragg, or the coordinator, Karen Munro, for payment or reimbursement.