

FRIDAY HARBOR PORT DISTRICT
Port Commission Regular Meeting at San Juan Island Yacht Club
Wednesday, September 23, 2009 at 4:00 p.m.

Minutes

Port Commissioners Present: Greg Hertel
Barbara Marrett

Port Staff Present: Bob Freeauf, Marina Facilities Manager
Tami Hayes, Harbormaster
Phyllis Johnson, Auditor
Dave Ryan, Airport Manager

Others Present: Sharon Kivisto, San Juan Islander
Richard Walker, San Juan Journal

The meeting was called to order at 3:58 p.m.

1. Barbara Marrett moved to approve the minutes of the August 26th and September 9th meetings. Greg Hertel seconded and the motion passed.
2. Citizens Comments/Requests: Monty Runge, of A Trophy Charters attended the meeting to comment on recent letters staff and Commissioners received regarding complaints about his customer service skills in his charter business. Mr. Runge was urged to take this opportunity to make some changes in his charter business. The Commission agreed to stand behind their decision to not renew his moorage contract if any more complaints were received.
3. Consent Agenda: None
4. Commission Action Issues:
 - A. Greg Hertel moved to approve the Port's purchase of equipment needed for the currently advertised marina electrical project. Ordering equipment now will save time once the contractor is hired and the project is underway. Barbara Marrett seconded and the motion passed.
5. Commission Discussion Items:
 - A. NOAA Westside Vessel Exclusion Zone Proposal: The Commissioners discussed the proposed NOAA Vessel Exclusion Zone on the west side. They agreed to support the MRC's recommendation of a general 200 yard sanctuary around the whales and keeping a minimum 400 yard distance as whales are headed toward boats. A public meeting is to be held on October 5th at the Grange.
6. Public Hearings: None

7. Staff Reports:

- A. Marina Facilities Manager: Bob Freeauf spoke about progress on the upcoming marina electrical project. Seven interested contractors have made site visits to date. Bob has contacted the state electrical inspector regarding design plans. The Historical Society will soon be reviewing the Downrigger's roof project. The budget has increased to approximately \$12,000 on the breakwater bull-rail project due to a new design.
- B. Airport Manager: The Airport Manager shared pictures of the damage being repaired by staff in the terminal building. The airport improvements project is proceeding, with ditches now covered and the wall nearly finished. The NDB project is almost complete. Dave Ryan brought the Commissioners up to date on a recent trespasser at the airport and theft of a plane.
- C. Harbormaster: Tami Hayes will be attending a PCC conference in Bremerton with the Assistant Harbormaster in early October. The county assessor is requesting information for re-evaluation of the airport. DNR will be marking a sunk vessel south of the marina at some point in the future.
- D. Auditor: Greg Hertel moved to approve Vouchers 9660-9685 totaling \$48,088.44. Barbara Marrett seconded and the motion passed. A list of signed contracts was distributed.

E. Executive Director: Absent

8. Capital Improvement/Acquisition Project Approvals: None

9. Commissioners' reports, comments, correspondence and requests: Commissioner Marrett requested a discussion item of policy regarding banners on boats at the next meeting.

10. Agenda items pending future action: None

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Absent
Mike Ahrenius, Commissioner

Barbara Marrett, Commissioner

Greg Hertel, Commissioner