Marine Advisory Committee Minutes

November 5, 2024

In Attendance: Bud Le Mieux, John Richards, Mary La fleur, skip Dassler, Corey Joyce, Marcus Abbott, John Sanford, Dianna Chonka.
Virtual: Karen Meyer and Wendy Britt.

Port Staff, Commissioners, and City Officials: Brad Johnson (HM), Brett Greenwood (ED), John Dumas (POA), Terry Nemeth (City Official).

Absent: Excused - Dan Averill, Brent Senff, Devin Zwick, Greg Dickinson.

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm.

Minutes: Motion and second to accept the minutes as submitted. Motion approved.

Marina Happenings: Brad Johnson

- J-N project is going well and on track thus far, sectors 1-3 are done & working on 4-6 now. 12 sectors total.
- Recently completed changing over the card readers at the T & PQ hoists. Users will now be able to use their restroom access cards. They are importing over those with existing & enabling their RR card for use. They are not open to all tenants, only if a customer/company has prior access.
- 4 boats blew on the beach a few weeks ago. Of the 2 remaining: one is removing the boat himself. The other, on the breakwater, the Port is removing the debris from the rocks/marina and currently sorting out reimbursement options.
- Continues monthly reporting to DNR. Zero today.
- JKL fiber will start Nov. 18. You may recall this has been delayed for 7 months due to appeals by Mega Corp.
- IT will be upgrading the storage on camera system, to double to 60 days. Since it's a swap we will be loosing existing footage but we will be able to hold on to the hard drives until the retention period has passed. IT is working with the staff and Cassie to insure we are in compliance regarding the retention requirements.
- Rate Increase Notice went out to tenants on Friday.
- B dock heater malfunction the end of October. Staff were quickly on scene along with AFD.
- The garbage container size, for the RV park, will be reduced for the winter and intervals will

be reduced in the West end. In the next week or so.

- Lighted Boat Parade coming in Dec. Due to J-N work going on, there will be about 19 slips for the participants. Both 46 & 66 ft slips plus the end ties. Lots of opportunity for people to double up in the slip.
- Port closed Veteran's Day. There will be daytime security patrols by on call personal.
- RV building siding has been replaced, that was recalled due to manufacturer defect.
- Firefly RV reservations software training was today.
- Kone was there a few weeks ago and replaced the brakes on the TBL. Pretty good since thousands of lifts each year since 2007.
- West Basin pump out cart gearbox on its way from Florida. It was in one of the hurricanes recently, received salt water bath, so they are sending it no charge. Will properly go thru it before placing it in service.
- Fox, Kate, Brad attended the fall NMTA Marina & Boatyard Conference in downtown Bremerton.
- 1.2 M gallons fuel sold YTD. 16,731 nights.

Question and Answer:
When asked if fuel and boaters night were up, Brad answered that fuel sales were up. Port is resetting expectations of boaters nights back to 18,000 because it used to be higher, 20,000, but Covid affected everything.

Marine/Facility Update: John Dumas

- The AFD got approved by the City Council to a grant for a free response vessel (43 ft with a 2 year wait for vessel completion). From an emergency response perspective, this is really good as the Port will have a chance for immediate response to boat fire or any other situation. This vessel will have a live ambulance in the back of the boat. Part of the agreement is that the fire dept will come to Port Personnel twice a year for training for better response to both the recreational and commercial sides. Supposedly, this is the only place on west coast where the fire station is right across the street from where the boat is kept.
- One Ocean Introduction: Mike Beamer approached the Port reiterating that it's an issue to get kids engaged in the marine trades. So a quarterly meeting was started at the Marine College. Mike, Lynette, and Ann Avary tried to brainstorm how the Port could be more supportive of the marine trades. So Mike approached Brett and then followed up at the meeting to get a floating classroom. The plan is the One Ocean shell will use maritime students to come down and work on the boat while its floating, like in the real environment. The kids are actually going to be a huge part of outfitting the boat, a 48ft Bob Perry Ketch, for the One Ocean Expedition. Which in itself is a cool story.
- A dock sewer - Port continues discussion with consultants. Great partnership with the city so they'll do the work. The commission should approve the action item for the Port to proceed,

pass to the city to fix that, then follow up. So instead of getting drug into legal issues it will be fixed and then determine responsibility.

John stated there is a state grant (WSDOT) and a federal grant (EPA).

EPA Grant Review: EPA Clean Ports

Lead Applicant: Port of Anacortes

Collaborating Entities:

Stabbert Marine, Arrow Launch Service, Culbertson Marine Construction, Island Express Charters, Skyline Marine Center, and Wash Ferries.

EPA funding request - $63,803,293

Port/ Entities $10,312,006

Total $74,115,299

Electric tow tractors 5, electric fork lifts 16, Travel lifts/cranes, boom aerial booms 5, material handlers 2, work skiffs 2, electric vessels 5.

- Port - 2 EV Forklifts - increased capabilities
- 3 EV Trucks (security)
- EV Aerial Lift

WSDOT - Port Electrification Grant-

- Three 200 A 480 V 3-phase charging outlets for the A-Dock Electric Upgrade.

Provision of upgraded transformer to 500 KVA and panel to 1600 A.

- Two 2024 Ford F-150 XLT (HEV) Trucks.

WSDOT funded 1,030,599

Port funded $257,650

Total $1,288,249

To see all details refer to grants slides email from John.

Concern was expressed that the Port being sponsor of the grant, that the collaborating companies fulfill their obligations and Port not left hanging. John said the companies will not be paid until work is done.

M & R and CIP Projects:

John presented hand out detailing the projects:

M & R

- J-N Dock Float Rehabilitation
- Web locker repave (center)- Area by north building to be leveled off and repaved.
- North Basin Lights Project - Will test all of M dock as a whole before more is spent.
- Central Pier Rub Rail Replacement Project
- Safety Ladder (last fairway) M Dock
- CDEF Cameras - cameras were ordered with long leads but in January that'll finish the

cameras
- Fiber Install to MNO & PQ
- NB Parking Lot Island Reset Maintenance Reduction - Too much money being spent in maintenance in that area, trying to reduce that.

CIP Projects
- North Basin Planning - Started tearing into the exterior and interior of the bathrooms. Got 12 bids but 1st two got rejected because they didn't do it correctly. Need to regroup to get costs back down to original cost. The Port was able to reject all the bids because the 1st two were rejected. So Port can regroup and repackage the bids cost. Working with Architect who will talk to bidders to see where Port missed the mark on bids.
- T dock design & Permitting - Recapitalizing about feasibility studies, suspend T-Dock design, and permitting. Should hear about T Dock ramping in a few weeks.
- NB and WB Remodel Project
- Electrification Planning

Derelict Vessel Process Reminder - The last few years the Port has used social media to inform boaters to winterize their boats and discourage boaters from anchoring in Fidaglo Bay. He suggested as marina tenants to support this on social media. Mary suggested to contact Mark Bunzel to publish a notice to Mariners about anchoring in Fidalgo Bay.

New Business:

Reported Criminal Incidents Regarding Marina Last 6 Months -
John Dumas presented hand outs of Marina Security Incidents that detailed:
- Trespass Orders showing a graph from 2016 - 2024 and pie charts showing theft/prowlers , aggressive behavior, unauthorized access, transient sleeping for 2023 - 2024.
- Security incidents during last 12 months that show dates, locations, and types of incidents.
- Marina map showing locations in marina of security incidents.

Port works with APD quite frequently and since 2023 city ordinance on parking , transient parking has suddenly dropped off. Word is out that security addresses any transient parking on port property.

Parking Update:

Port sent our Parking Survey to all tenants. Mary stated she didn't initially get the survey but thinks her server blocked it. She contacted port and got the survey and completed it. But wonders how many tenants didn't receive it. Brett informed members that Port received 287 responses out of 800 sent but expected at least half the tenants to respond. Suggestion to text to tenants like they do for

other correspondents. Since it came from member@SurveyMonkeyuser.com, some tenants won't open or would go to junk. Brett and John will address this issue. The Port wants to get tenant feedback on parking to show commissioners due to Events Center planning. Suggestions from MAC members:
Block off certain area for marina parking only.
Use mechanical arms to block off certain areas, tenants use cards to access, but would remain open all winter.
Paid parking spots for tenants.
Tenants have parking stickers and signage for tenant parking only. But this would have to be enforced.

New Business:
Chair Comments: John Richards
Members need to be thinking about new officer elections for next year.

Reported Criminal/Incidents Regarding Marina- John R reported that Greg brought this up and will send an email. This is to address security gates and the MAC will not let this issue rest. John Dumas stated that from engineer estimate costing $30,000 each. Mary could call Rob, her client, for options.

Marine Trades: Mary La Fleur
Boats are still selling. Marine trades will have a meeting on the 14th at 10:00 am. They will vote on and elect a new president, Corey Joyce. Larry is stepping down due to health issues.

John Sanford - Race Week
John sits on the Seattle Area Racing Committee that organizes 2025 sailing events for Oregon and Washington. And it was announced that due to certain events Race Week will have to be moved away from Anacortes. Some events in Anacortes are funded thru LTAC. It's a hotel tax collected by the city and goes to a fund overseen by LTAC Committee. Due to the future funding for the event center, the committee will not be delegating out as much money. This will putt a squeeze on available funds for events. They announced Race Week would not be receiving any funds. He feels this not a fair distribution. The committee is dispensing funds to non profits and not to profit organizations. John feels this isn't a fair distribution. During Race Week, approximately 2,500 individuals come to Anacortes for 5 days of meals, drinks, and hotels, figuring approximately $17,000 - $18,000 in revenue for the city. The deadline is December 2 as that's when they start the sailing calendar. Mary thinks the $25,000 can be raised and will work with John on this.

Meeting Adjourned 6:30 pm

Next Meeting December 3