Marina Advisory Committee Minutes

February 10, 2026

Call to Order: Dianna Chonka, Chairperson, at 5:03 pm.

Members in attendance: Bud LeMeiux , Scott Propst, Corey Joyce, Dan Averill, Dianna Chonka, Kurt Goodale, John Sanford, Marcus Abbott, Skip Dassler, Martin Snyder, Wendy Britt, Justin Parkins.
Virtual: Karen Meyer
Absent: Brent Senff
Port Staff, Commisioner, and City Official: Brad Johnson (HM), John Dumas (ED), Mary La Fleur (Commissioner), Terry Nemeth (City Official).

REGULAR AGENDA:
1. Dianna started the meeting off by asking everyone to introduce themselves and the position they represent due to the election of new members.
Dianna Chonka- Chairperson, Owner of North Harbor Diesel, and is the
At Large Resident within the Port District Rep.
Kurt Goodale- Works for Arrow Launch and replacing John Richards as the Commercial Marine Industry Rep.
Wendy Britt - Has moored in Cap Sante for 35 yrs and is the Recreational boating for vessels under 40 ft Rep.
Corey Joyce - Owns and operates San Juan Marine Freight & Services and is the Commercial Fishing Industry Rep.
John Dumas - Executive Director for the Port of Anacortes.
Brad Johnson - Harbormaster for the Port of Anacortes
Terry Nemeth - Liaison for the City of Anacortes.
Bud LeMieux - At Large Resident within the Port District.
Scott Propst - Owns Anglers Unlimited Charter Fishing business in Skyline and is the Recreational Fishing Rep.
Marcus Abbott - Works for Anacortes Yacht Charters and is the Yacht Charter Business Rep.
John Sanford - Rep for the Anacortes Yacht Club and for Marine Trades association he represents Seafarers Worldwide.
Dan Averill - Recreational Boating for vessels over 40 ft Rep.
Skip Dassler - Recreational Boater (non motorized) Rep., which includes OARS and Traditional Small Craft Association.
Martin Synder - General Manager of Premiere Yachts and Yacht Broker Business Rep.

Mary La Fleur - Now in the new position as Port Commissioner Rep. She reports to the other four Port Commissioners.
Justin Parkins - Works as Fleet Manager for Seattle Yachts, manages Northern Marine, and is the Marine Trades Rep.
Karen Meyer - Current Liveaboard Rep but next month will be her last meeting. She will not be a liveaboard anymore. There has been emails sent out to other liveaboards to fill this position. She stated she is having a hard time hearing members speaking (too low & echo) as she is currently attending vitually.

2. MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING: The submitted minutes need to be amended with this change:
On page 3, under Chair Comments, correct the spelling of Scott Proust to Scott Propst.
Motion and second to accept minutes as amended. Motion approved.

3. MARINA HAPPENINGS: Brad Johnson (HM)

- WB cameras installed on the docks last week. IT is now connecting them and adding them to the network. First pole of each dock looking both directions. Also, cameras on the pump out float to monitor the end tie slips.
- Had a flotation tub on A and D docks that worked themselves out. Called in a diver to shift them into position.
- Reduced the Waste Management service to 1x per week, monitoring for impact.
- North Basin remodel is moving along nicely. Drywall and siding start in the next few days. Early April completion.
- Auction boat is in A-11. Runs through Feb 23rd.
- Ordered new activity float sides. They typically last 3-4 yrs. They are removed each fall and installed in the spring.
- Spill kits have been refreshed on the docks. Fortunately, the material was aging out from lack of use.
- Fresh water leak under PQ pier approach. Lots of jackhammering and digging to find it.
- Seattle Boat Show wrapped up Saturday after 9 days. Most staff participated in our booth. There to represent the marina and city, say hello to tenants and guests, and network with other booths and ports.
- Water off at N end docks tomorrow due to restroom remodel. Alert sent to tenants, the restroom trailer will remain operational thanks to the city's assistance with a fire hydrant connection.
- Ryan F, Kate, and Brad will be in Seattle next week for Intermediate Management Training. They have spoken to others who have attended the training.
- Working on the fueling contract for the FD. This will go out to bid in the next month or so.
- Scheduling FD tank cleaning and line tightness testing. These are annual items for

ecology and our peace of mind.
- The Port joined RBAW this year; they champion the needs of Washington's recreational boating community. Focus on issues that impact rec boating.

4. Marina/Facility Updates - John Dumas

Recap - They attended an event in Olympia for Port Day. The Port focused on promoting business and maritime echo system, all those things that build the economy is what Port wants to talk to legislators about.

On the Derelict Vessel Recovery Program - The Govt is trying to make the process shorter but it's making it harder on the businesses that dispose of the derelict vessels. Governor Ferguson took $500,000 out that fund and into General Fund.

At the Commmission Meeting, they decided to do an Interlock Agreement with APD as APD now has a new police boat and will it be parked next to the fire department.

John handed out a chart and explained it's the new organizational chart as they are trying to continually build out their security process. Security has been made its own department. Dale Ferrell has been promoted to the Security Supervisor position. He's doing a lot of training with the Port's security officers and there will be more action with the new cameras. Additionally, for the last six months, they have been involved with more of the leaders at the Port and now have Managers Leadership Concepts. With the people actually out working having input and on a monthly basis.

Questions: Diana asked John Dumas to tell us where we are on the gates with the commission. John answered it was put before the Commission and they choose when to discuss it. He asked if the Mac wanted to bring it before the Commission again. If so, it would be the same process.

Karen added when it was brought to the commission previously, Bonnie thought the language we used in the presentation made it appear to be important to us. And she asked for additional information regarding the incidents that were happening that made us think gates were the next logical step. Karen asked if anyone followed up with the commission with that information.

John Dumas said he sends the commission performance indicators with the last slide being environmental health and safety incidents, on a monthly basis. On a quarterly's basis, they look at trespasses and where steps are being reported. He stated they don't see 100% of the incidents because people won't report them or fill out incident reports. The Port can only put into the system when they get an email or report about an incident. A trespasses report goes to the police, so it's easy to track those. John will email the MAC those reports he sends to the Commission.

Corey feels we need more discussion and concise information, doesn't think it's time to present it again, and would like to postpone it. Need to find out who supports this and who doesn't. John Dumas thinks there's two things are that are driving this- public access to the waterfront and when will the gates be open and closed.

Diana wants to address with the group about how we can be better stewards with information and what we can do for the Commisioners. She handed out a Port newsletter and feels it's an important piece of information about what happens around the Port. The Mac wants to be more involved

before things are already done.
John Dumas asked if we want to get a laundry list from the commissioners about things they'd like accomplished. He informed the MAC that we are one of the major key stakeholders in the North Face Recapitalization.

5. Motion to renew Skip Dassler as Recreational Boating (non-motorized) Rep for two more years. Motion seconded and approved.

John Sanford reported his term expired in January. Motion to renew John Sanford as Anacortes Yacht Club rep for the next two years. Motion seconded and approved.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Skip Dassler - He presented a slide show of the need for a small boat building, which would affect the North Basin. And explained the reason for this presentation was to ask people to consider a new building, not asking people to pay, but just a building. They've been talking about it for years and that the City Council and Port commission presentation is going to happen.They currently have the Douglas Sailing Center behind the Seafarer's building.

Recap of presentation:

- The middle and high schools both have sailing teams. Kids start middle school, can keep going in high school, and then can become level one US sailing instructors. Regattas are at least 2xs a year with 140 kids sailing.
- OARS has 150 members and can only keep two of four boats in the water at a time.
- Everything is dependent on the safety and chase boats, consisting of two - 18 ft RIBs and one 12 ft RIB. Keeping them outdoors in the winter, undercover, is not the best situation.
- Building ideas include having three doors and not necessarily divided. Pre engineered building, out of the box, for money savings.
- Cost sharing groups include OARS, ACB, community boating groups, and perhaps APRD Parks & Recreation could kick in. Committees are beginning fundraising, and some funds have been set aside.
- Could use Solar PV panels instead of electricity.
- Two possible locations: north basin on port property or a chunk of the storage area in the space they're already leasing.
- John Dumas reported he was given a history lesson from all the three groups back in August, asked them for a sketch, and he provided that to the commission as a highlight this Friday, informing the Commission of the interest in building. He's going to meet with the groups to firm up locations so they can go back to the city Council and ask Port Commissioners if they're interested in ground leases.
- One of the buildings would be 20 x 45 and the other 35 x 60.
- John Sanford mentioned that Anacortes Yacht Club would be affected by the building and should have a seat at the table.

2. Other New Business

Martin Snyder offered his help to anyone needing assistance with MAC business.

Meeting adjourned 5:58 pm.

Next Meeting March 2, 2026

Respectfully, Wendy Britt, Secretary