



Meeting Agenda & Minutes Marine Access Committee



Wednesday, March 13th 2017
From: 5:30pm to 7:30pm
Location: City Hall, Council conference room

Co-Chairs:	John Brownlow & Frank Ostrander	Minutes / Secretary:	Elise Wright
Attendees:	John Brownlow, Fred Grimm, Frank Ostrander, Elise Wright, Greg Spils Council liaison: Kol Medina Excused: Thomas Hudson		
Harbor Steward:	Mark Leese		
Public:	Rick Chandler, Curator/Facilities Coordinator, Bainbridge Island Historical Museum		

Meeting called to order at 5:35pm

Acceptance or Modification of Agenda. Conflict of Interest Disclosure

No modifications to the Agenda were received and no conflicts of interest were stated / reported

Approval or Modification of previous meeting's minutes

Moved (*Frank Ostrander*) and seconded (*Elise Wright*) that the minutes of the February 13th meeting of the MAC be approved. All approved.

Harbor Stewards Report

Mark Leese provided information regarding the recruitment of a new Harbor Steward, Bob Lane. Bob lives near Point Monroe overlooking sandspit, Point Monroe lagoon and the shipping lanes south of Port Madison. Harbor stewards will be meeting with Harbormaster Tami Allen and Marine Officer Ben Sias harbor stewards on March 27th.

City update

Waterfront Park - City Dock and Boat Ramp will be closed July 31 2017-March 1 2018 (or less as needed) for construction of new dock. Build window is July - February. Re Committee Member [CM] Brownlow conversation with Mark Epstein (City Project Manager, Engineering), RFQ makes allowances in the build timeline for suppliers who may have to truck dock parts in and assemble them on site rather than float in as Eagle Harbor Marina did. However, the City will tighten up the build schedule as responses to the RFQ are evaluated. Vessel to vessel pump out service to be supplied in Eagle Harbor during rebuild.

Mark Leese asked why a boat ramp can't be moved to Pritchard Park. Per [CM] Brownlow previous conversation with Park District regarding use of other sites, Pritchard Park has serious challenges because of the containment cap. All Park District sites were reviewed with Parks personnel and Ft. Ward was deemed the only reasonable option. Mark recounted his experience with launch and recovery at that site. Committee acknowledges that Fort Ward launch ramp has safety issues but neither the City nor Parks has indicated a willingness to pursue a joint project to develop that site.

Councilor Medina suggested we talk with City management directly with questions or concerns re Overlook and Boat Ramp outreach.

[CM] Brownlow advised there is a new (public?) float at Eagle Harbor Marina, ~ 8' x 30'. The City has advised it may take several months to finalize the agreement re public access and hours of use with marina. In the meantime public access remains as before, dawn to dusk through the marina gate and ramp.

Assistant City Manager (Morgan Smith) and City Attorney (Joe Levan) will meet with committee in April (4/10) to discuss harbor and road end issues. Elise Wright will forward title info from former Road Ends committee to them beforehand.

Emergency Flotilla Agreement is being worked on, planning and training underway to incorporate Emergency Flotilla into City/County emergency preparedness.

Discussion of Bench installations: Councilor Medina recounted that City workers take pride in their achievements at the bench sites.

Ongoing Business

The **2017-18 Work Plan** was briefly reviewed to update committee members.

Capital Project: Harbor Viewing Platform. We are waiting for a meeting between City Manager and WSDOT

Maintenance Projects: Identified, prioritized and communicated to the City

Benches, Bike Racks and Parking Spaces: Benches installed at Ocean Drive, Olympic Drive, Yaquina (6 more?). Boundary markers at Ocean Drive need to be reset.

Support legislative changes for funding: [CM] Brownlow advised having talked with Sen Christine Rolfes re implementing marine tab fees for use by local authorities to support marine and shoreline facilities. [CM] Ostrander was asked to research how to do it. We suggest Doug Schulze could float the idea at WA Assoc of Cities to establish for regional buy-in. City Council would have to provide direction to City management and pass appropriate ordinance to manage fees.

Education and Outreach: Outreach opportunities: Spring Fling (first weekend in June), or combine with Paddle Bainbridge (July 15-16) for a Summer Fling. National Boater's Day (July 2). National Water Trails Festival (June 24-25). Coastal Cleanup (September 23-24)

Discussion of committee vacancies: Applicant Paula Elliott has still not been interviewed, even though our request for her confirmation has been pending since July 2016 when former Road Ends committee member Marci Burkel resigned. Kol agreed to look into it. Subsequent conversation revealed she is content to wait until June this year. Mark Leese would like to see a (specific) boater on board. Elise suggests a kayaker might have a place as well.

Rick Chandler (Curator/Facilities Coordinator, Bainbridge Island Historical Museum) provided information that the Moritani property at west end of Winslow Way is in flux. Some material (former boat house) will be removed. BIHM may do some interpretive work there. Rick installed new exhibit in City Hall display box re EPA sites in Eagle Harbor (Wyckoff/Pritchard Park). BIHM is working with Suquamish Tribe to add historic native place names to designated sites. Brownlow suggested adding City logo to material displayed at Historic Preservation sites.

The development of a plaque recognizing the efforts of the former Road Ends Committee was discussed and carried forward.

[CM] Brownlow provided a presentation regarding Road End sign design suggestions. [CM] Frank Ostrander suggested and committee approved a subcommittee ([CMs] Fred Grimm & Greg Spils) to review materials and submit proposal for the committee's recommendation to Council & City. Kitsap Water Trails signs are available for use at Lytle Road, Fletcher Landing and other sites. [CM] Wright will pick them up from Evan Stoll.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:24pm

Next Meeting(s)

The April meeting is scheduled for **Monday, April 10th, 2017 at 5:30pm.**



John Brownlow
Co-Chairs



Frank Ostrander

