



**MARINE ACCESS COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2018**

The meeting was **CALLED TO ORDER** at 5:32 PM by Co-Chair Frank Ostrander. Minutes were recorded by Anthony Oddo. In attendance were Committee Members Paula Elliot, Fred Grimm, Peter Hill, Anthony Oddo, Frank Ostrander, and Elise Wright. Harbor Steward Dave Kircher and Council Liaison Ron Peltier were also present. The following members were absent: Greg Spils.

Terry Lande, Executive Director of the Bainbridge Island Metro Park & Recreation District, was also present as an invited guest of the Committee.

Members of the public present to make comment are listed under **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

A **motion** was made (Ostrander) and seconded (Oddo) to move the Liaison with Parks Department discussion to the first agenda item. The motion passed without objections.

A **motion** was made (Hill) and seconded (Elliot) to add an opportunity for Public Comment during each item during the **ACTION ITEMS/DISCUSSION** section of the meeting. The motion passed without objections.

No **CONFLICTS** were reported.

A **motion** was made (Hill) and seconded (Elliot) to approve the **MINUTES** of the Regular Marine Access Committee Meeting on March 12, 2018. The minutes were approved unanimously without modifications or objections.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS: Liaison with the Park District

Terry Lande attended the Regular Meeting to both present updates from the Park District and listen to suggestions from committee members on areas of cooperation. Frank Ostrander asked about the following Park District properties:

- *Point White Pier*: Currently in disrepair, but possibly one of the best places for marine access on the island as it has parking and restroom facilities. Terry noted that the Park District is evaluating improvements to the pier; however, energies this year were put into improvements at Hidden Cove Dock. Access to the water at Point White by human-powered crafts had not previously been considered, but Terry will bring it back to the Board.
- *Fort Ward Boat Launch/Park*: Parking remains an issue (only four spaces). Terry noted that Park District does not have any space to expand the parking facilities. As for placing a (seasonal) floating dock at the boat launch, it is not possible due to currents and tides in Rich Passage. Frank also noted that part of the park is overgrown and it is not possible to view the water (approximately 800-1000 feet from the parking lot). Terry noted that due to the SMP and other regulations, removal (or even thinning) of vegetation is prohibited.
- *Fay Bainbridge Park*: Frank noted that access to the water is difficult at the park, particularly for those with mobility impairments due to the driftwood on the beach. Terry noted that State and local laws and regulations prohibit movement or removal of driftwood. This would make it impossible to accommodate an ADA trail to the water. A dock or boat launch is also not possible due to strong tidal conditions.

REPORTS

City: Councilmember Peltier noted that the City has hired a new Communications Coordinator. He did not provide any other Marine Access Committee-related updates.

Harbor Stewards: No report provided.

Harbormaster: The Committee reviewed the submitted report from March 2018. No further comment or discussion.

ACTION ITEMS

Review 2018 Work Plan Assignments: The Committee is moving forward with recommendations and other projects associated with the Work Plan. A further review is planned for the regular May meeting.

Memo re Dave Ullin Open Water Marina (OWM): The Committee reviewed a draft memo prepared by Elise regarding the OWM. The memo addressed reconfiguration of the moorage buoys in the OWM to accommodate a total of 16 boats/liveaboards (up from the current nine). The removal of the Linear Moorage System and transition to single-point mooring presents an opportunity for the City to reconfigure the OWM and expand capacity.

Anthony suggested that the memo be modified to focus on the City's obligation under the lease with DNR rather than focus on the affordable housing benefits associated with the OWM (per the mandate of the MAC). He also noted that as a shared resource, the City must balance the needs of all Eagle Harbor users and protect the ability for safe navigation following the reconfiguration of the OWM buoys.

Frank suggested that rather than submitting the memo as-written, a more specific ask be drawn up and developed as a set of recommendations/proposals for a meeting with Morgan. A **motion** (Ostrander) was made and seconded (Elliot) to form a sub-committee to study the issue further and develop action items for the City. The sub-committee will be composed of Elise (chair), Anthony, and Paula. They will schedule a time to meet in the coming weeks.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following members of the public signed in to make public comment regarding the Memo re Dave Ullin Open Water Marina

- Ted Davis
- Dave Henry
- Andy Rovelstad

Ted Davis and Dave Henry noted that the current application process for the OWM is not adequate and they feel that the demand is high enough to fill all 16 spaces. The current application process, as managed by the Harbormaster, may miss some individuals. Ted Davis suggested that the liveaboards run the process themselves.

Andy Rovelstad noted that time is of the essence for installing the additional buoys as the fish window is in mid-August.

Road Ends Sites Map/App: Item moved to regular May meeting.

Follow-up on Dock in Fletcher Bay: Peter noted that the application for the dock is still pending. He has not heard from Annie Hillier regarding the error in the Hansen application, but will follow-up in the coming days. He will also lead a sub-committee to study the amount of information that is publicly available in dock permit submissions and make proposals to the Committee and Council.

FOLLOW-UP/FUTURE ITEMS

Review Preparations for Police Boat Ride-along: Elise will contact Tami/COBI PD to determine available dates and timing for the committee ride-along.

Open Meetings Training: Roz is in the process of scheduling a make-up session for those Committee Members who still require the Open Meetings and Recordkeeping Training.

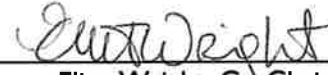
Boater's Fair: The Boater's Fair was originally scheduled for August 7, 2018. It will now be held on July 1, 2018.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, May 14, 2018.

The meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 7:08 PM.



Frank Ostrander, Co-Chair May 14, 2018



Elise Wright, Co-Chair May 14, 2018