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Depoe Bay City Council and Harbor Commission
Joint Workshop Meeting
Wednesday, March 30, 2011 – 5:30 PM
Depoe Bay City Hall
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PRESENT: Mayor C. Connors, P. Cameron, S. Hoitink, B. Leff, D. Goddard, T. Lewis, D. Zimmerman L. Robison, S. Hausotter, R. Davilla, P. Robison, R. Hall, N. Achen

ABSENT: J. Wahl

STAFF: City Recorder P. Murray, City Field Superintendent T. Owings, Port Clerk K. Vinson

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Connors called the meeting to order and established a quorum at 5:30 PM.

II. Discussion (items were discussed out of order)

 B. Dock 1 Tsunami Damage Update

T. Owings read from the FEMA report (copy attached) listing the damages and estimated costs for a quick fix and permanent fix for dock # 1. Also stated in the FEMA report is the economic, population and public services impact to the City and the community. It was also reported that the State Marine Board's offer to conduct damage assessment had been withdrawn. T. Owings will be meeting with FEMA and OEM (Oregon Emergency Management) on March 31<sup>st</sup> to discuss damages and needed repairs. The use of private docks (Joan-E's Charters and Craig Taunton) was discussed as possible options for moorage this season. Joan-E's docks would need power and water access, and it would be "mooring boats" only, no passenger loading.

A. Draft Ordinance No. 289 – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 252 (Depoe Bay Harbor Ordinance), Imposing Insurance Requirements for Moorage Use Permits, and Declaring an Emergency

Mayor Carol Connors clarified her business background by stating her business is wholesale insurance and she does not sell boat insurance or deal with the public.

Councilors and Commissioners discussed the need to require moorage use permit holders to have liability insurance of \$500,000 plus pollution liability and name the City as additional insured. Transient moorage boaters (3 days or less) will be required to sign an indemnification agreement with the City. Trailer boaters will not have to have insurance or sign indemnification agreement. It was discussed that many other ports already have insurance requirements and many others are looking into requiring insurance. Audience members wanted it clarified that both, damage and pollution liability will be required. They also remarked that \$100,000 plus \$854,000 pollution was a more reasonable amount to require for sport boat owners. Suggestions from the audience included the City obtain insurance and bill moorage holders, the State Marine Board should require all boaters to have insurance, the city should send a letter to the State Marine Board to request this.

- E. Port Leases
- P. Murray gave a brief history of the port leases that were inherited from the Port of Newport when the port was deeded to the City of Depoe Bay. It was suggested that the Urban Renewal Agency spend money for surveys and research to find out who owns what around the harbor. It will be an agenda item at the next Urban Renewal meeting.

F. Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plan

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It was reported that the SPCC Plan is ready to be submitted for review by the US Coast Guard at the Port of Portland. This item will be added to the April 5<sup>th</sup> agenda for City Councils' approval to submit plan for review.

## D. Revenue/Expenditure

This items ties in with next (G. Vision) item. Discussed whether there are resources not explored yet, that could make the harbor more viable for the City.

## G. Vision/Future Plan for Harbor

L. Lewis, City Planner put together information regarding zoning and allowed uses for the harbor and surrounding land. (Copy attached) The current and future use of the fish plant was discussed. It was also noted that the fishing industry has changed and is changing, the City may need to change zoning and allowed uses such as: to provide access to the south side and west side of the bay to the highway. Also discussed was the possibility of the City purchasing property around the harbor and develop retail attractions drawing tourists down to the harbor. Parking for the harbor is also an ongoing issue. The Westside Dock Project should be done. It was suggested that moorage spaces on Dock # 1 should be assigned to boats that are not in the harbor all year, and boats that are in all year be moved to other docks to minimize damage to the boats due to the strong surge in the bay.

## C. Ordinance No. 252 Review

The Harbor Commission review of Ordinance No. 252 has been delayed due to absenteeism issues. Commissioners would like review to be completed before next moorage renewal. Council Members and Harbor Commissioners felt the joint workshop meeting very beneficial to everyone. Harbor Commissioners suggested that the next meeting be a joint workshop on the review of Ordinance No. 252. Everybody agreed and set the next joint workshop for April 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm.

## III. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM.

Carol Connors, Mayor	

Kathy Vinson, Port Clerk

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