

Depoe Bay Near-Shore Action Team
Regular Meeting
Thursday, January 18, 2007 – 6:00 pm
Depoe Bay City Hall

PRESENT: Chair L. Goddard, M. Fitzpatrick, J. O'Brien, L. Robison, J. Rose
ABSENT: R. Davilla, B.Fasciano, M. Grover, C. Newell, F. Robison, F.C. Robison, V. Sovern,
J. Tate, P. Taunton

STAFF: City Recorder P. Murray

Chairman Goddard called the meeting to order and established a quorum at 6:05 pm.

Approve Minutes: December 21, 2006 Regular Meeting

MOTION: O'Brien moved to approve the December 21, 2006 meeting minutes as written.
Fitzpatrick seconded the motion.

Goddard said it is moved and seconded and called for discussion. There was none.

VOTE: Motion passed.
AYES: Fitzpatrick, Goddard, O'Brien, Robison
ABSTAIN: Rose

Murray noted a correction to the November 16, 2006 meeting minutes to reflect Fitzpatrick as present.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

DVD Editing, Distribution List

Rose reported editing is in process, the business piece still needs to be added. Jack Brown wants to take a copy to Washington, DC in March. They will work on having a remake ready by the next meeting.

NSAT Evaluation and Guidance Workshop

Rose requested the addition of two agenda items: 1) NSAT by-law changes under unfinished business and 2) budget under new business. He distributed copies of proposed revisions to the by-laws (copy attached to the original of these minutes), which were reviewed and discussed. The revisions include changing membership to 9 members and creating an advisory council.

MOTION: O'Brien moved to accept the proposed by-law changes as written on the draft dated January 18. Fitzpatrick seconded the motion.

Goddard said it is moved and seconded and called for discussion. Rose asked where the Advisory Council paragraph should be inserted.

MOTION AMENDMENT: O'Brien amended his motion to insert the Advisory Council paragraph in section B. Organization, as subsection 4., and renumber the remaining subsections. Fitzpatrick accepted the amendment.

VOTE: Motion, as amended, passed.
AYES: Fitzpatrick, Goddard, O'Brien, Robison, Rose

Brief discussion ensued regarding potential members on the Advisory Council(AC), suggestions included Hal Weeks and/or Don Crispin (ODFW), and Bruce Mate. It was suggested that agendas and meeting minutes be emailed to AC members. O'Brien offered to draft letters to notify NSAT members being moved to the AC and to new AC members such as Terry Thompson.

Goddard asked if members had items for a workshop meeting, discussion followed including the goal of completing the socio-economic study. If he is going to schedule his presentation at the Western Groundfish Conference in Sacramento in October, he'll need to know by June. O'Brien reported the Lincoln County Economic Development Grant has not yet been announced and may not be funded this year. The cost of the study was estimated at \$20,000 in the previous grant application (not funded). It was suggested the study be done locally. It was agreed that data collection could be done, but the study should be conducted by a consultant to carry weight. Another suggestion for workshop discussion is pollution issues. It was agreed to schedule a workshop on Tuesday, February 13 at 5:00 pm, Rose will compile a list of topics.

NSAT Field Trip to South

It was suggested to schedule for April or May, if by boat. Robison extended an invitation to members to ride along on his regular trips, just contact him. The team may still conduct a shore-side group trip, but individuals will try to ride along with Robison. Taking photos and/or videos is encouraged.

Socio-Economic Study

There was nothing further than was previously discussed.

Status of Data Display at Whale Watching Center

Rose said he would contact Grover as to the status, he understands that Grover has not obtained any new information since his discussion with Jack Barth at the Heceta Head Conference.

NEW BUSINESS

Sea Grant Conference

Julie Barr will be at the Spouting Horn Restaurant at 11:00 am on January 19 to meet and determine their needs for a one day meeting in Depoe Bay, possibly in March. Jack Brown, present in the audience, reported that Jay Rasmussen is the head of Oregon Sea Grant, they will be asking about local needs. Rose said Whale Watch Spoken Here program is funded by Sea Grant. Brown said that Barr may want information on focus groups at tomorrow's meeting and NSAT should be prepared to respond.

MOTION: O'Brien moved to authorize Goddard to use his discretion in setting up local focus groups for the Sea Grant Conference. Fitzpatrick seconded the motion.

Goddard said it is moved and seconded and called for discussion. The question of costs associated with the conference was raised. Brown said conference costs are usually funded by Sea Grant, but there may be costs that NSAT would need to petition the City Council for funding.

MOTION AMENDMENT: O'Brien amended his motion to add authorization for Goddard to use his discretion on any costs to be funded by the city. Fitzpatrick agreed to the amendment.

VOTE: Motion, as amended, passed.

AYES: Fitzpatrick, Goddard, O'Brien, Robison, Rose

Paul Engelmeyer Presentation (February meeting)

Goddard asked if Engelmeyer should bring his video "On Common Ground". Everyone has already seen it so there is no need to bring to the meeting.

Appoint Representative to Lincoln County Wave Energy Group (added agenda item)

Goddard announced he attended the Lincoln County Wave Energy Group meeting last evening. The group has named themselves, Fishermen Involved with Natural Energy (FINE). He had asked Fitzpatrick if he would serve as NSAT member to FINE. Fitzpatrick agreed to serve in that capacity.

MOTION: Rose moved to appoint Mike Fitzpatrick as the NSAT representative member of FINE. O'Brien seconded the motion.

Goddard said it is moved and seconded and called for discussion. There was none.

VOTE: Motion passed.

AYES: Fitzpatrick, Goddard, O'Brien, Robison, Rose

There was no alternate member assigned at this time.

Budget (added agenda item)

Rose suggested planning and preparing anticipated expenses in the upcoming fiscal year in order to present for Budget Committee consideration. It was agreed to place this matter on the agenda for the February regular meeting, asking members to bring proposed items for discussion.

MEMBER AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Robison said he will be attending a meeting on halibut fishing next week and there is a salmon meeting on February 28th. Nancy Fitzpatrick, present in the audience, said there is no information on salmon season yet, data and reports are being compiled, it appears the quota will not be increased, but there may be a longer season.

Goddard referred to a thank you letter from Scott McMullen, OPAC (copy attached to the original of these minutes).

Everyone thanked Mrs. Fitzpatrick for attending the meeting and providing information.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Loren Goddard, Chairman

Pery Murray, City Recorder