

Depoe Bay Near-Shore Action Team  
Regular Meeting  
Thursday, July 19, 2007 – 6:00 pm  
Depoe Bay City Hall

PRESENT: Chair L. Goddard, M. Fitzpatrick, J. O'Brien, L. Robison, V. Sovern, G. Snyder  
Advisory Committee members: J. Brown, T. Thompson  
ABSENT: R. Davilla, B. Fasciano, M. Grover  
STAFF: City Recorder P. Murray

Chairman Goddard called the meeting to order and established a quorum at 6:06 pm.

Approve Minutes: June 21, 2007 Regular Meeting

MOTION: O'Brien moved to approve the minutes as written. Fitzpatrick seconded the motion.

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

VOTE: Motion passed.  
AYES: Fitzpatrick, Goddard, O'Brien, Robison, Sovern, Snyder

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Socio-Economic Study Goddard announced the Western Groundfish conference has been rescheduled to February, which allows more time to work on the study. Brief discussion ensued regarding funding, Sovern volunteered to work with Jack Brown and Jack O'Brien to identify sources to fund the study.

Western Groundfish Conference Goddard advised that NSAT needs to prepare and be ready to get on the agenda upon notification.

DVD Editing/Rewrite Sovern referred to her handouts of the draft brochure and Allied Video Production's (AVP) video production estimate (copies attached to the original of these minutes) suggesting she could work with Brown and O'Brien on revising the draft brochure for the next meeting. Fitzpatrick noted that "30 nm offshore.." should be corrected to "3 nm" Thompson said sanctuaries are on hold, only marine reserves are being discussed. It was agreed to delete the wording "A national marine sanctuary covering part or all of the Oregon waters from shoreline to 3 nm off shore" from the brochure. Sovern requested the go-ahead on the video, her goal is to have a draft ready by the next meeting, anticipating the film crew will be able to go along on fishing trips to get footage. The Allied Video Production's (AVP) video production estimate was reviewed.

MOTION: O'Brien moved to authorize spending \$3,000 towards completion of the video. Robison seconded the motion.

Goddard said it was moved and seconded and called for discussion. Sovern stated that she does not work for AVP, she is familiar with their work and they are a good company. She noted that she is not charging her normal fee of \$75/hr and she has about \$500 of her time into the project to date.

VOTE: Motion passed.  
AYES: Goddard, O'Brien, Robison, Sovern, Snyder  
NAYS: Fitzpatrick

Letterhead/Logo Sovern reviewed the draft letterhead (copy attached to the original of these minutes), noting that the intent is to list all members with email addresses, including ex-officio members. Brief discussion followed and it was agreed to use the draft format.

### NEW BUSINESS

Recap of OPAC Marine Reserves Working Group Meeting (June 29<sup>th</sup>) J. Brown reported that the current nomination period for marine reserve sites is scheduled for October 2007 to April 2008 and the OPAC group is working on a form for nominations. He recommends an action item for NSAT to prepare to nominate and to define areas to be excluded from marine reserve sites. OPAC will be reviewing nominations and Jay Rasmussen wants a list of experienced fishermen by August 3<sup>rd</sup> to serve on a review committee. Brown will ensure that Rasmussen's requirements are emailed to NSAT members and he encouraged participation. He added that while the state will be doing socio-economic studies on nominated sites, he believes that Depoe Bay should conduct its own study if Depoe Bay makes a nomination, if not making a nomination then a study would not be necessary. Thompson said he hopes that both Newport and NSAT will recommend him to serve on the review committee.

Report n July 13 OPAC Meeting J. Brown reported that Patty Burke spoke against nominating exclusion zones to avoid confusion. Discussion followed regarding the process and time frame and the proposed \$5 million budget.

### Member Comments

Thompson reported on wave energy efforts, Chevron filed for 10 miles off California shore, Lincoln County is working on FERC application revisions and requesting extensions, the meeting in Reedsport did not go well. Nancy Fitzpatrick, present in the audience, said that more of the fishing fleet is getting involved as time goes on and the highest activity is in the Reedsport area. Thompson continued, an Australian company has applied for a 5 mile section south of Florence in an area known for good crab production. The OSU buoy will be placed in three weeks, south of Yaquina Head, three miles offshore, with no buffer zone around the buoy. Fishermen Involved with Natural Environment (FINE) is producing a report on fishing gear and fisheries, identifying problems and suggesting resolutions, he will try to get a copy to NSAT. The possibility of the county or the state developing a plan for FERC consideration and acknowledgement was discussed. Goddard asked if NSAT should submit a letter of support. Thompson said it is too soon, when it is time a request will be submitted to NSAT.

Goddard asked for input on whether NSAT will proceed on nomination of a site for a marine reserve. O'Brien suggested proceeding with nomination of the site previously discussed, including discussions with Newport fishermen to obtain their input. Fitzpatrick said he has spoken with Newport fishermen and there would be minimal impact if the proposed NSAT site were selected.

O'Brien reviewed a draft support letter (copy attached to the original of these minutes) to OCZMA for Director Onno Husing's proposed film. It was agreed to send the letter as drafted.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

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Loren Goddard, Chairman

Pery Murray, City Recorder