

Depoe Bay Near-Shore Action Team
Regular Meeting
Thursday, December 20, 2007 – 6:00 pm
Depoe Bay City Hall

PRESENT: Chair L. Goddard, R. Davilla, M. Fitzpatrick, J. O'Brien, G. Snyder, V. Sovern
Advisory Committee: Jack Brown, Terry Thompson
ABSENT: L. Robison, B. Fasciano, M. Grover

Chairman Goddard called the meeting to order and established a quorum.

Approve Minutes: November 29, 2007 Regular Meeting

This item was postponed to the next regular meeting..

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Skippers/Interested Public Meeting for MPA Site Discussion The first meeting will be on January 10th, 7 –8 pm, at Depoe Bay Community Hall. Englund Marine's conference room has been reserved for the second meeting on January 17th. Sovern presented a draft flyer for the January 10th meeting which was reviewed and revisions were suggested. Meeting announcements will be distributed through flyers, direct mailing to moorage holders, phone calls and press releases. Goddard will contact Ginny Goblirsch to act as liaison to Newport fishermen. Fitzpatrick will contact FINE members. Sovern will provide flyers for the Newport meeting as well. O'Brien presented the draft letter to moorage holders/fishermen which was reviewed and revisions were suggested. Members agreed to assignments in efforts to prepare for the upcoming outreach meetings.

Reports from Work Groups and Special Committees The draft tri-fold informational flyer was briefly discussed, and Sovern will revise to bring back at a future meeting. The final draft video was previewed. It was suggested to show the video at the outreach meetings. Brief discussion ensued with it being agreed that the video is more appropriate for a Chamber of Commerce, or other community meeting, presentation. Brief discussion followed on the status of the socio-economic study and wave energy facilities. Thompson reported that Finavera secured the first wave energy permit in Makah Bay.

NEW BUSINESS

MPA Policy Guideline Draft Site criteria were reviewed in relation to what the proposed site offers. The possibility of economic benefits were discussed including ecosystem tourism (undersea cameras, marine discovery tours) and research.

Member and Public Comments A letter from the Depoe Bay Beacon requesting to be added to public notice distribution list was presented. Goddard will follow up on this request.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Loren Goddard, Chairman

Meeting notes by Nancy Fitzpatrick, minutes prepared by Pery Murray, City Recorder