

Depoe Bay Near-Shore Action Team  
Regular Meeting  
Thursday, February 22, 2008 – 6:00 pm  
Depoe Bay City Hall

PRESENT: Chair L. Goddard, M. Grover, J. O'Brien, L. Robison (arrived 6:20 pm), G. Snyder,  
V. Sovern  
ABSENT: R. Davilla, B. Fasciano, M. Fitzpatrick

Chairman Goddard called the meeting to order and established a quorum at 6:12 p.m.

Approve Minutes: November 29, December 20, 2007 Regular Meetings, January 10, 17, 29, and  
February 17, 2008 Special Meetings

Minutes for only the November 29, 2007 and January 10, 2008 meetings were available for approval.

MOTION: O'Brien moved to approve the minutes from the November 29, 2007 regular meeting and  
the January 10, 2008 special meeting as written. Sovern seconded the motion.

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

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

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Marine Protected Area Goddard briefly recapped the outreach meetings events and outcomes, noting it  
is time to proceed to present the proposed site to the City Council for approval. Sovern is working on  
compiling a summary of the outreach meetings for the council presentation. It is planned to schedule  
this matter for the March 4, 2008 regular council meeting. It was suggested to try to schedule another  
meeting with the Newport crabbers. It was agreed to go to the council on March 4<sup>th</sup> for approval of the  
MPA site and to let the council know attempts to meet with the Newport crabbers are ongoing. Brook  
Douglas, 75 Sunset St., said he is against marine reserves. He asked what NSAT has been asked to do,  
what will be presented to the council, and what the impacts to Depoe Bay will be. It was explained that  
NSAT was formed by the council to be a pro-active group representing Depoe Bay in the state's process  
to establish marine reserves along the Oregon coast. Douglas is concerned that the harbor could become  
a marine reserve as the process evolves and wonders how aware the council is. It was noted that a  
council member serves on OPAC and the Depoe Bay council is probably better informed than most  
governing bodies. Douglas asked why invest the time, money and effort toward making reserves happen  
when no one wants them. He is concerned that funding of marine reserves may come from special  
interest groups, that he won't be able to drive through parts of the ocean, that there have not been  
sufficient studies conducted prior to establishing reserves and he suggests there should be a law that a  
reserve can not be expanded. Douglas was encouraged to attend meetings, including OPAC meetings.

MOTION: Grover moved to proceed with presenting the proposed MPA to the council for approval  
and to send a letter to the Newport crabbers. Snyder seconded the motion.

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

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

DVD Sovern has ordered 40 copies of the DVD, she was advised to submit the invoice to city hall for payment. Copies are to be distributed (some already distributed) as follows: a copy to each council member, each NSAT member, the Chamber of Commerce, persons in the video (Peggy Leoni, Terry Thompson, Pogo Robison, Larry Walke). Excess copies will be available at city hall for purchase. Sovern and O'Brien were thanked for their work on this project.

Socio-Economic Study It was noted that the Meyer Trust may be a potential funding source. It was also noted the state should fund these studies. It was suggested that a work group meet with Fred Van Noy and Hans Radke, who had previously worked on a study for a Depoe Bay fishermen's group. O'Brien will be available after March 7<sup>th</sup>, then he, Goddard and Snyder will set up a meeting. Snyder offered to contact Van Noy to see if he would be interested.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Budget It was agreed to discuss upcoming year budget at the next meeting. Murray provided a report on NSAT expenses YTD (\$3,332.15) compared to budget (\$7,500). It was noted that for the next year there will not be another DVD production and the Western Groundfish Conference is not until 2010. There may be other meeting expenses in the upcoming year. Members were advised to bring ideas to the next meeting for discussion.

Site Nomination Form Prep Work The form is not available yet. O'Brien has information from last night's Sea Grant meeting, copies will be made for members.

Sea Grant Outreach Meetings Members who attended last night's meeting agreed it was a good meeting, persons present wrote their comments on note cards which will be presented to OPAC and the Governor.

Member and Public Comments Snyder said while the Sea Grant meetings are good, he encourages more involvement. Sovern (on her laptop) said she is on the OCEANA website and has just joined the organization. She has enjoyed serving on the NSAT and has learned much. O'Brien is disappointed the local press is not present tonight, since they were especially invited to discuss budget matters. He said at the Sea Grant meeting Patty Burke, ODFW, encouraged all communities to form Near Shore Action Teams. Goddard echoed Sovern's comments and said he is proud of what NSAT has achieved. Sovern asked if work should recommence on the brochure, try to have it ready for the boat show.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

---

Loren Goddard, Chairman

Pery Murray, City Recorder