

Depoe Bay Near Shore Action Team  
Regular Meeting - Thursday, April 16, 2009 - 6:00 PM  
Depoe Bay City Hall

PRESENT: Chair Loren Goddard, Morris Grover (arrived after 6 pm), Roy Hageman, John O'Brien, Lars Robison, Beanie Robison (Advisory Committee member for quorum)  
ABSENT: Mike Fitzpatrick, Nancy Fitzpatrick, Grant Snyder  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Jack Brown  
STAFF: None

Goddard called the meeting to order and established a quorum, noting Beanie Robison is present to enable a quorum.

Approval of February 19, 2009 and March 19, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Hageman moved to accept the minutes as written. O'Brien seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed.

AYES: Goddard, Hageman, O'Brien, B. Robison, L. Robison

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ODFW-MOU Update O'Brien reported the draft MOU has been reviewed by the ODFW attorney and it has been sent back to ODFW to rework some wording. It appears the rewording is more administrative than substantive and once the draft is reworked it will go back to the ODFW attorney. It was suggested that NSAT may want to ask county counsel to contact the ODFW attorney. Goddard noted that while the MOU is not a binding contract it is an important document.

Legislative/Coastal Caucus Lobby Update Goddard asked members to report on the status of efforts to designate New Carissa funds toward marine reserve pilot projects. Hageman, O'Brien and L. Robison reported on the various meetings with the Coastal Caucus and pertinent Way and Means SubCommittees, noting there is support for marine reserve funding; frustration with Oregon's economy; concern that if nothing is done a ballot measure proposing a "blanket" marine reserve along the Oregon coast may be forthcoming; how to proceed when New Carissa funds are depleted; and New Carissa dollars already earmarked for ocean mapping. HB 3013 which is proposed to restructure OPAC, is being rewritten by the Coastal Caucus. HB 3106 proposes to organize a supervisory group, provide for sharing of scientific information and representation of the commercial fishing industry. Goddard and L. Robison, as private citizens, testified that the scope of representation should be broadened to include the sport fishing industry. Gratitude was expressed for Rep. Jean Cowan's assistance in this process.

NEW BUSINESS:

New Member Application and Interview Goddard announced that applicant Mark Roberts is present for interview (copy of application attached to the original of these minutes). Roberts told a little about himself and answered questions from members. Goddard asked for a vote to appoint Roberts to fill the seat vacated by R. Davilla.

VOTE: Appointment confirmed.

AYES: Goddard, Grover, Hageman, O'Brien, L. Robison, B. Robison

Sea Grant Mapping Seminar Jack Brown congratulated Roberts on his appointment. He reminded everyone that his time on OPAC is limited, NSAT needs to think about putting forth a candidate for OPAC in the category of an elected official from a small coastal community. Someone with a background in ocean zoning and the marine reserve issue needs to think about running for a city council

seat. Brown reported that Ed Bowles, ODFW Director of Fisheries, was at the OCZMA meeting and said that NSAT is doing a great job, and spoke to the rewrite of proposed HB 3013. Ocean zoning will be a continuing issue, which will require much future involvement. Sea Grant was discussed at the OCZMA meeting, basic research involving marine reserves could be funded in conjunction with OSU research through the Sea Grant Program. It was suggested to ask Sea Grant to facilitate socio-economic impact studies. Brown will discuss further possibilities with Sea Grant representatives (Julie), noting NSAT may want to submit a proposal for research specific to the pilot program site. Goddard announced a meeting on May 1, Fishing Effort Mapping Seminar by Sea Grant at the Shilo Inn, 9 am to noon. Dave deBelloy, present in the audience, said he has attended mapping meetings and they are very interesting. Discussion followed on confidentiality and refinement of fishing location information.

#### Member and Public Comments

Goddard asked for a briefing on the STEP program by Salmon Enhancement Commission Chair B. Robison. B. Robison provided background information on Depoe Bay's program, initiated by Vaughn Taunton a number of years ago. He also reported on past and current activities of the program, its economic and educational benefits. Pogo Robison, present in the audience, noted the community involvement in the program over the years. Jack Brown said that the city zoning rules are sensitive to the Salmon Enhancement effort, local streams have been maintained thanks to the program, each small program contributes to the whole effort. B. Robison said it is not the Salmon Enhancement Commission's intent to establish policy but they are willing to provide input towards shaping policies to maintain fish in our streams. Hageman encouraged coordination with the Planning Commission. Goddard offered NSAT assistance for the STEP program. B. Robison said the Depoe Bay area has a lot to offer, and it's important to make it work for everyone.

L. Robison said he and Dave deBelloy attended a meeting last night regarding the proposed US Coast Guard bar crossing policy. Paul Donheffner, State Marine Board Director, contacted him after the meeting, offering the SMB's assistance to Depoe Bay if needed. Hageman has updated legislative talking points for anyone who would like a copy. Mark Roberts has been in contact with FACT, they meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month, they plan to change their meeting times so they can attend NSAT meetings. They are curious about FINE, he will let them know that Mike Fitzpatrick is a member. FACT is planning to be more involved with marine reserves, besides their focus on renewable energy. Jack Brown reminded NSAT that they are well informed and should not hesitate to provide information to legislators and others.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

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Loren Goddard, Chairman

Pery Murray, City Recorder (transcribed from audio tape)