

Depoe Bay Near Shore Action Team
Regular Meeting - Thursday, September 17, 2009 - 6:00 PM
Depoe Bay City Hall

PRESENT: Chair L. Goddard, M. Grover, R. Hageman, J. O'Brien, M. Roberts, L. Robison (arrived 6:11 pm)
ABSENT: M. Fitzpatrick, N. Fitzpatrick, G. Snyder
ADVISORY COMMITTEE: none
STAFF: City Recorder P. Murray

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

Approval of August 20, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Hageman moved to approve the August 20, 2009 meeting minutes with a correction, "Hageman reported that he, Goddard and Snyder attended a ~~City Port~~ of Newport ~~council~~ meeting where they answered questions *and the Port agreed to sign the MOU as written.*" O'Brien seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed.

AYES: Goddard, Grover, Hageman, O'Brien, Roberts

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ODFW-MOU

Goddard reported that they were well received at the Port of Newport meeting and that the Port Commissioners voted unanimously to sign the MOU as written. Hageman reported that the Port wants to be involved and they believe one of their members could participate on committees working on the marine reserve work plan. It was suggested that Commissioner Dean Fleck would be a good participant. The next step is to contact Newport's Mayor Bain to schedule a meeting with Newport City Council. O'Brien will provide a copy of the latest version of the MOU to Mayor Bain and meet with him to answer questions before going to the full council.

Mapping Project

Goddard reported that Oregon Coastal Zone Management Association (OCZMA) has secured funding to begin work here, presumably Eco-Trust will be conducting the work as they were used by SOORC and FINE and they have accomplished much refinement in the process. He offered to be a "test interviewee" for the purposes of information collection. O'Brien noted that if NSAT agrees to proceed, then local boat owners/operators must be encouraged to participate and more information should be obtained from Eco-Trust on the mapping process. It was suggested that Onno Husing, Director of OCZMA, host a meeting to encourage participation in the information gathering process.

MOTION: O'Brien moved that NSAT formally support the mapping project and inform Onno Husing in writing, copying Ed Baccus. Grover seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed.

AYES: Goddard, Grover, Hageman, O'Brien, Roberts, Robison

Morris Grover Resignation

Grover announced that he withdraws his resignation. Everyone expressed their appreciation of Grover's contributions to the NSAT efforts.

NEW BUSINESS:

Recap of Meeting with Packard Foundation Representative Regarding Grants for Ocean Mapping and Socio-Economic Studies

Goddard and Hageman met with representatives from the Packard Foundation regarding funding opportunities. HB 3013 allows the state to utilize funds from organizations like the Packard Foundation, which has \$1.5 million available in 2009 and more in 2010. The Packard representatives are conducting research to determine who to consider granting funding to and towards what projects, such as Eco-Trust on the mapping effort, and socio-economic studies. Discussion followed, including Packard Foundation taking information on Request For Proposal (RFP) preparation and evaluation, OCZMA's role, NSAT offering to be a partner, teaming with a company that conducts socio-economic studies to develop a proposal to Packard and obtaining names of those companies. It was agreed that Goddard will make the necessary contacts to obtain this information.

Heceta Head Conference (added agenda item)

Goddard said the brochure on this year's annual conference had been received, noting the reduced registration rate for 5 attendees. Members voiced interest in attending again this year, as well as the OPAC meeting to be scheduled for the same weekend. A question was raised as to the status of Onno Husing's video production. It was reported that the video is 56 minutes long and is to be only 30 minutes, he needs more funding to avoid making cuts.

MOTION: Hageman moved to register for 5 attendees for Saturday and to authorize overnight lodging expense for up to 3 persons if the OPAC meeting is that weekend. O'Brien seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed.

AYES: Goddard, Grover, Hageman, O'Brien, Roberts, Robison

Proposed Rules for Pilot Marine Reserves (added agenda item)

Hageman reported that ODFW recently held a meeting to review draft proposed rules for pilot marine reserves (copy attached to the original of these minutes). This effort is coordinated between Division of State Lands (DSL), Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife (ODFW) and Oregon Department of Parks & Recreation (OPRD), and ODFW desires to include NSAT in the process. Cristen, ODFW, provided a one page work plan (copy attached to the original of these minutes). Upcoming public hearings include October 20th in Salem, October 21st in Port Orford, and October 22 at the Inn at Otter Crest, Otter Rock. Members are encouraged to attend.

Member and Public Comments

Hageman welcomed Morris Grover back to the team.

Grover said that Bruce Mate has been tagging gray whales to gather whale traffic information which will be utilized in the designation of wave energy sites.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 pm.

Loren Goddard, Chair

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