



Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive
Petersburg AK, 99833

Meeting Minutes Harbors and Port Advisory Board

Tuesday, January 30, 2018

12:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chairman Bangs called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. The meeting was attended by Assembly Liaison Wohlhueter and the following guests: Bob Volk, Assembly Member Meucci, Jake Slaven, Harbor Security Officer Hinde and Harbormaster Wollen.

Present 4 - Board Member Bob Martin, Board Member John Murgas, Board Member Mike Bangs, and Board Member Don Spigelmeyer

Excused 3 - Board Member Bob Dolan, Board Member Glenn Reid Jr., and Board Member Scott Newman

2. Approval of the Minutes

A. December 12, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [December 12, 2017 Meeting Minutes.PDF](#)

The minutes of the December 12, 2017 regular meeting were approved as submitted.

3. Amendment & Approval of Meeting Agenda

The agenda was approved as submitted.

4. Election of Officers

Chairman Bangs suggested and Board members agreed to postpone the election of officers to the next regular meeting when more members would be present.

5. Visitors Views Unrelated to Agenda

No views were shared.

6. Visitors Views Related to Agenda

Bob Volk, representing Petro 49, Inc., spoke in favor of the land trade between the Borough and Petro 49. He reported that he had been in discussion with the owners and they are prepared to negotiate with the Borough offering to use the difference in property costs toward a dolphin at the Port Dock. Volk also said the owners would consider a reduction in their existing bid over a 10 year period rather than a transfer of cash.

7. Staff Report

A. January 2018 Harbormaster Report

Attachments: [January 2018 Harbormaster Report.PDF](#)

Harbormaster Wollen reviewed her written report. The report is attached and made a permanent part of these minutes.

8. Unfinished Business

None.

9. New Business**A. North Harbor Parking**

Chairman Bangs requested and the Board agreed to postpone recommendations to the Assembly concerning North Harbor parking to the next regular meeting so that Member Newman, who originally requested the topic, could be in attendance to discuss.

B. Island Ventures LLC Lease Application for Scow Bay Tidelands

Attachments: [Island Ventures LLC Lease Application.PDF](#)

Board Member Murgas read from Borough Code concerning the guidelines for board members participation in regards to discussion and recommendations involving personal matters. Due to personal financial interests in the lease application, Member Murgas abstained from voting. Member Spigelmyre suggested after confirmation of Board Member Reid's return home on Friday that Chairman Bangs at the end of this meeting call a recess until Friday at 4:00 p.m. when there will be enough members for a quorum to make a recommendation to Planning & Zoning and the Assembly on the Island Ventures application request. Discussion occurred concerning specifics included in the lease such as compensation for rock that is left, termination of lease occurs if and when the Borough is able to develop the property, and public use of facility.

C. Proposed Land Trade with Petro 49

The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed land trade between Petro 49 and the Borough for a Harbor Department maintenance shop and storage area. The Board looked at details provided by Finance Director Tow concerning assessed property values, current annual lease monies collected and proposed annual property tax loss. Harbormaster Wollen provided a draft position paper that outlines the history of the Harbor facilities and the maintenance requirements needed to support the Harbor's operation. The Board also reviewed information on costs associated with new construction vs. upgrading the Petro facility.

The Board voted unanimously to request the Assembly and Borough Manager work with Petro Marine to negotiate the trade of two identified Borough leased lands for seven Petro 49 owned lots for use by the Borough's Harbor Department as a harbor maintenance facility and material and equipment storage.

10. Communication

None.

11. Discussion Items

None.

Chairman Bangs called a recess at 1:30 p.m. and the Board voted unanimously to reconvene on Friday, February 2, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

12. Island Ventures LLC Lease Application for Scow Bay Tidelands

The Board reconvened on Friday, February 2, 2018. Chairman Bangs called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. with Members Reid, Martin, Murgas, and Spigelmyre also in attendance. Member Murgas abstained from the vote due to personal involvement.

The rest of the Board voted unanimously to recommend to both the Assembly and Planning Commission to approve Island Ventures lease application for the 5,400 sq. feet of tidelands at Scow Bay to construct a temporary boat ramp.

13. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:07 p.m. on February 2, 2018.