

Port Ludlow Village Council
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
September 7, 2017

President Bill Dean called the meeting to order at 1:03pm announcing that the meeting was being recorded and that the Small Boards Protocol of Roberts Rules would be used.

Declaration of a Quorum

Secretary McDearmid declared a quorum was present. Attendees were Bill Dean, Randy Deering, Tamra McDearmid, Mike Nilssen, Larry Nobles, Gil Skinner, and Terry Umbreit. Caleb Summerfelt was absent.

Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was approved with addition of an item for approval of an ad hoc Dog Park Committee.

Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments presented.

Chimacum School District Report, Superintendent Thomson

Thomson advised that the school boards in Washington have five members and that the Chimacum board has two seats for four-year terms open for this November 7 general election. He also advised of several changes in staff including the high school principal (leaving for another school district), the vice principal filling this vacant position, the elimination of the vice principal position and its replacement with the creation of a position for Dean of Students, a new elementary school principal and the retirement of some teachers.

State funding for K-12 was discussed. A new salary schedule for teachers will need to be negotiated next year based on new criteria established at the state level. The local maintenance & operation levy will be reduced but the state levy will be increasing.

Thomson stated he was not satisfied with the level of academics. They are looking at new curriculum and testing, as well as, additional training for teachers. The graduation rate is currently 85% against a goal of 92%. The prior bonds were paid off in 2012 and the current levy that collects \$1.3 million a year ends in 2018. While not at capacity, the district has much work to be done on facilities including rearrangements, upgrades and maintenance. A question was posed that at 42% under capacity and without qualification for state matching funds, why the district doesn't sell the excess capacity to fund what they need. Thomson responded that the 42% is out of date with the new space requirements mandated by the state, that the state will provide funding but we need to pass a bond measure to receive any matching funds and that no schools could absorb the activities of other schools to allow the sale of the latter. When asked about consolidating with other districts or sharing resources Thomson responded that the district is sharing resources with other districts including special education and transportation. A question was also raised about absenteeism. Thomson stated the District was looking at the issue.

PLA Developer Report, Diana Smeland

Smeland advised that Niblicks is starting Thursday Night football with great appetizers, game night raffles, drink specials and more. It starts tonight (September 7) at 5:30 and will continue every Thursday through the season. She also confirmed the golf course is still on the market. They are answering questions from potential buyers but there is no front-runner at this time. When asked about a rumor that an offer was rejected for all 27 holes, Smeland confirmed that was just a rumor, no such offer was received and that PLA does have residential plans for the 'unused back nine.'

Smeland reported there are 8 lots left in Ludlow Cove and 31 available in Olympic Terrace II, with one contract pending. PLA is close to completing two move-in ready model homes in Olympic Terrace II.

OWSI has hired Marine Surveys & Assessments to conduct a survey of geoducks in the area of Ludlow Bay & Admiralty impacted by the wastewater treatment effluent discharge. It will provide data to OWSI to do their own estimate of annual resource damage to address the Department of Natural Resources' claim for additional lease cost for the sewer outfall in the bay. The survey completion and results are 30+ days out. Smeland responded to a question confirming there are separate leases with DNR for OWSI and for the Marina. The OWSI lease expires at the end of the year. The marina lease expired August 1 but a bridge lease is in place for now. The Marina lease will see a substantial increase in cost unless the County updates their parcel data on their website.

Smeland addressed a missing green 'welcome to Port Ludlow' sign on Paradise Bay Road advising that these signs are not PLA's. She believes they are the County's and suggests that Bill Dean contact them. Last item of Smeland's report is that a coffee shop will be opening on December 1 at the Village Center in the former salon space.

Community Interest Reports

Association Information – LMC, Randy Deering

Deering reported that LMC and SBCA are working together to serve Port Ludlow, referencing the community-wide BBQ held July 30 and ice cream social held August 20. He also advised of some remodeling taking place at the Beach Club.

Election Forum, Pat Page

Page confirmed a candidate forum will be held on October 9 from 5-7pm at the Bay Club. Cheri Van Hoover and Bruce J. McComas, candidates for the Hospital Commissioner position will be present. Also presenters from both sides will discuss Prop.1 (Affordable Housing Levy) facing voters this November. The forum will follow formal rules of questions/answers/rebuttals and will be moderated.

Dog Park Ad Hoc Committee, Glenn Waldenberg

The first meeting of the committee took place August 24, 2017 to determine if there is enough interest and support to build a dog park in Port Ludlow. General discussions to determine that interest and how to stimulate additional interest to fund and maintain a dog park were held. A petition posted at the golf course gathered a dozen or so signatures expressing interest. The Sequim dog park was identified as a very nice facility and three members were going to visit it. Preliminary information from several websites was shared concerning general design recommendations including physical size, fencing & gates, surfaces, watering stations, waste removal service, shelter & seating and parking. All members agreed additional research on community support, site options, funding and county requirements needs to be done. The next meeting will be September 14 at 10am at the Bay Club.

Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

PLVC Internal Reports/Actions

Dog Park Ad Hoc Committee, Bill Dean

Dean made a motion to establish a Dog Park Ad Hoc Committee to research the creation of a dog park in Port Ludlow. The motion was seconded by Terry Umbreit and passed. Dean named Phyllis and Glenn Waldenberg as the committee's co-chairs. Dean made a motion that Pam Ashbell, Wendy Cruttenden and Bill Dean be appointed as members of the committee. The motion was seconded by Terry Umbreit and passed.

Secretary – Dave McDearmid

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the August 3 meeting (with minor typo corrections).

Correspondence received this month included invoices for the Voice, SOS Printers and the annual renewal of our PO Box. Bill Dean responded to emails received via the web site asking about the PLVC elections, the no shooting zone and the aforementioned missing green welcome sign. The PUD advised of their potential purchase of the bank building in Port Hadlock. An email was sent to PUD Commissioner King recommending that PLVC's Utilities Committee Chair, Russ Michel become a member of the PUD advisory board.

Treasurer – Mike Nilssen

Nilssen stated August's starting balance was \$29,284.15 and its ending balance was \$27,214.47 after expenses of \$2,069.68. He made a motion to accept the July financial report as submitted. The motion was seconded by Larry Nobles and passed. Nilssen noted we are running pretty close to budget due in part to insurance premiums being \$1,000 less than budgeted.

Administration Committee/Election - Tamra McDearmid

This year's election materials prepared for bulk mailing on August 29 with the help of committee members and other volunteers. To date, 101 responses have been received.

Movie Night – Terry Umbreit/Tam McDearmid

LTAC (Transportation Authority) funds were received for this year's movie night to promote the event outside of the county. The funds require certain data be collected to compare how the additional advertising brings in participants outside of the county. Last year there were an estimated 450 participants with 42 from outside the county. This year there were 522 participants with 142 from outside the county resulting in 21 addition rooms at the inn and 34 slips in the marina being sold for Sunday night. The PLVC booth was a smashing success, providing free games, pirate prizes and enjoyment for about 185 children attending the movie.

Joint Board Meeting LMC/PLVC/SBCA, Bill Dean

Dean reported new members have been elected to all three boards and several of these folks are new to the community. Accordingly, he recommended that the joint board meeting be put on hold until after the first of the year to allow the newer board members a chance to become familiar with the workings of Port Ludlow in order to be able to more fully contribute to the conversation. There were no objections.

Other Business

No other business was presented.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30pm.

The next PLVC meeting will be a workshop held at the Beach Club on Tuesday September 19 at 3 pm.