



Fort Worden
State Park Conference Center

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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Noon Thursday July 18, 2019

Members Present: Pam Adams, Joan Best, Anna Green Forrestal, David Given, Brian Hageman, Steve Reed, Owen Rowe, Joan Rutkowski, Val Stewart, Steve Tucker

Guests and Staff Present: Jan North, Zan Manning (Friends of Fort Worden) and Claude Manning (Friends of Fort Worden)

Members Absent: Kevin Alexander, Kate Dean, Susan Cronshaw

I. **WELCOME:** Introduction of members and guests

II. **MINUTES:** May 16, 2019 Meeting Minutes were approved as amended to correct a spelling error.

III. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** The FWAC chair read the statement on the petition signed by approximately 350 people opposing the construction of a new, elevated boat dock. Marjorie Bell was also present to support the petition. The suggestion was made that FWAC facilitate a public meeting to discuss. Several members expressed their opinions that since this issue has gone through a rigorous process for selecting the preferred alternative for redevelopment of the pier area, including three public meetings, State Parks should address the petition, not FWAC. Consensus was reached for FWAC not to proceed with facilitation of a public meeting. An email to FWAC by Bob Triggs concerning the dock is attached.

IV. **INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT:** A motion was made and seconded to add the following statement to future agendas:

“We acknowledge that this meeting is being held on the traditional homelands of the S’Klallam people of the North Olympic Peninsula, and we are committed to working with all local tribes to help preserve and restore a healthy natural environment for future generations.”

V. **PRESENTATION:** A slide presentation was made by Claude Manning with the Friends of Fort Worden on the organization and what it does. A copy of the presentation is attached.

VI. **FORT WORDEN STATE PARK AREA UPDATES.**

- A. **PDA** - Joan Rutkowski: An update on PDA activities is attached.
- B. **State of the Park** - Brian Hageman: See attached
- C. **Partners** - Anna Greene Forrestal: See attached Programming Partners Report

- D. **Friends of Fort Worden & Historic Interpretive Programs** - Report was contained in the Friends of Fort Worden Presentation.
- E. **Friends of Fort Townsend** - Susan Cronshaw: No Report
- F. **Status of Point Wilson Lighthouse** - Steve Reed: No report as there has been no progress since last meeting.
- G. **Volunteers/ Updates** - Bill Drath: No report

VII. **UPDATES RELEVANT TO FORT WORDEN:**

- A. **County** - Kate Dean: No Report
- B. **City** - Pam Adams: Pam reported that the new City Manager, John Mauro has been hired and will start November 1
- C. **Port** - Steve Tucker: Steve reported on the status of the Industrial Development District.
- D. **School** - John Polm

VIII. **ADA issues on Fort Worden State Park** - Joan Best provided a report on her assessment of the status of ADA issues, attached.

IX. **Outreach and Public Input-** Owen has agreed to help with Outreach. Valerie asked the membership to email her ideas for Outreach.

X. **MEETING ADJOURNED at 1:49 PM**

NEXT MEETING - Thursday, September 19 at Peninsula College from noon to 1:30 pm