

ISLAND COUNTY MARINE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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Minutes

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October 4, 2022

VIA ZOOM

PRESENT: Barbara Bennett, Chair, Jill Lipoti, Vice Chair, Scott Chase, Kes Tautvydas, Alexandra Plumb, Andi Kopit, Ed Halloran, Kes Tautvydas, Kelly Zupich, MRC staff

ABSENT: Note if notified or un-notified - Ken Collins, (notified)

VISITORS: James Watson, WICD, Clea Barenburg, IC Water Quality, Linda Rhodes, Public

CALL TO ORDER: Barbara called the meeting to order at 3:00pm. **INTRODUCTIONS:** Introductions were made. **QUORUM:** A quorum was declared. **AGENDA:** Jill moved to approve the agenda. Kes seconded. The agenda was approved. **MINUTES:** Jill moved to approve the October 4, 2022, minutes. Barb seconded. The minutes were approved.

TRIBAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

We acknowledge the lands we're on today are the ancestral and current homelands of Indigenous Nations who have stewarded them since time immemorial. We respect their sovereignty, support their Treaty rights, their right to self-determination, and we honor their sacred spiritual connection with the land and water. These Indigenous Nations include the Jamestown S'Klallam, Lower Elwha Klallam, Lummi, Makah, Nooksack, Port Gamble S'Klallam, Samish, Stillaguamish, Swinomish, and Tulalip Tribes.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

LEADERSHIP REPORTS: Leadership Reports – None

NWSC COLLABORATIVE CONSERVATION WORKSHOP WRAP-UP

The MRC discussed the different projects presented at the workshop. Everyone agreed that the event was very successful and look forward to more opportunities like this for collaboration.

- Kelly will contact Lisa Kaufman to ask about what the possibilities are related to the use of underwater dredge material for fill at local restoration sites.
- It was decided to spend a bit more energy on the Passport for Marine Adventure. Kelly will share this link again with the committee and check back in next month to see if there is a volunteer willing to take lead on this project.

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CLIMATE RESOLUTION:

The MRC is very supportive of this resolution and would love to understand the origins of this document and hoping to discuss ways for the committee to provide goals to set for Climate resiliency in Island County. The committee would like to invite Melanie to join us next month to discuss the Climate Resolution.

NO ANCHOR ZONE:

The committee agrees that this is not the issue or time for us to take this project on. Elsa moved to hold off on the NO Anchor Zone at Cornet Bay. Scott seconded. The motion was approved.

COORDINATORS REPORT:

- The Congressional Funding proposals have been turned in. We will continue to work with the NWSC to get those finalized.
- Its Annual Report season! Kelly is working hard to get these written for the end of year reporting grant requirements.
- Derelict Vessel Turn in event opportunity. The committee agrees that this is a great opportunity, but we do not currently have a member able to take this on.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.