

CBJ DOCKS & HARBORS BOARD
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
For Wednesday, June 18, 2008

I. Call to Order.

Committee Chair, Ms. Jebe called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. at the Aurora Harbor Office.

II. Roll Call.

The following members were present: Mr. Knapp, Mr. Williams, Mr. Simpson, and Ms. Jebe.

The following member was absent: Mr. Etheridge.

Also in attendance was Mr. Rider, Statter Harbor Operations Manager; and Mr. Clauder - Harbor Operations Manager and Mr. McCall - Harbor Master.

III. Approval of Agenda.

MOTION MADE BY Mr. Williams: TO APPROVE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. The Agenda was approved with unanimous consent. The motion passed without objection.

IV. Public Participation Non-Agenda Items.

Mr. Russ Peterson M/V Seal, Harbor resident arrived after this item was presented. He later commented on the Grid usage by Lavern Beier and his boat the Sultana.

V. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes.

MOTION BY Mr. Williams: TO ASK UNANIMOUS APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR May 14, 2008. The Minutes were approved with unanimous consent. The motion passed without objection.

VI. Items for Action.

1. Proposed Regulations for Camp Site Fee. Presentation by Mr. McCall, Harbormaster of John Stone's proposed amendments to Docks and Harbors Regulations CBJ Administrative Code Title 05, Chapter 20 Docks and Harbors Small Boat Harbor fees and Charges.

(a) Background: There are no fees for camping at Echo Cove. There has been considerable garbage cleanup required. Propose a Campsite fee paid in advance: \$10.00/day or \$20.00/weekend.

(b) Exclusions: Residence surcharge, boat launch fees, commercial use of boat launch fees. Registration still required before use of campsite.

(c) Fee deposit for large group camping: Elks, Moose, and Eagles etc. \$50.00/weekend and - \$100.00 deposit as a cleanup fee.

MOTION BY Mr. Simpson: MOVE TO OPEN UP COMMITTEE DISCUSSION. The motion was seconded by Mr. Knapp.

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VI. Items for Action. (continued).

Discussion/questions: Mr. Simpson asked what facilities are provided? Mr. McCall responded that the facilities include: Pit toilet, parking lot, ramp area, and dirt surface camping. Lot size is approximately 2/3^{rds} of an acre adjacent to the ramp.

Mr. Williams queried the travel time, maintenance requirements and costs of cleanup. \$240. x 2.

Mr. Rider's response to the proposal: Mr. Rider expressed his criticism of the fee schedule and stated that the understaffing of personnel (clerks and techs.) makes enforcement next to impossible. One employee two times per week is required for cleanup. The fees would aggravate the public and the one person garbage cleanup would probably require three hours or more. In the end, enforcement is not possible.

Mr. Knapp brought up the possibility of "Special Function Deposits" for cleanup. This was not written into the proposal. More discussion by the Committee.

Mr. Clauder said the trash problem has been on going. Amalga Harbor and Echo Cove have a minimal time obligation. It is weather dependent, good days mean more attention is necessary. If staff has to go out everyday, current staffing is not adequate.

Further discussion continued. A policy statement should be created.

**MOTION by Mr. Knapp: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO TABLE THIS ITEM.
The motion passed without objection.**

2. Used Oil and Refuse Management Policy.

Mr. McCall stated that the Refuse Management has been a continual problem. There is a need for a policy. Batteries, metal, "mystery liquids," and oil all appear at the top of the ramp. 25% of harbor effort is directed at this problem. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) could fine the harbors for violations.

Signage: Used Oil proposed signage outlined in the handout document. Harbor Dumpster rules signage. Discussion by the Committee on the issues of dumpster misuse and oil disposal continued. Every day of the week is spent dealing with the misuse of the dumpsters and the oil disposal.

Committee discussion continued: Refuse fees for the Harbors is \$250,000.00/year perhaps ¾ is not harbor related refuse. Can the City negotiate a reduced fee for refrigerators etc. from the Harbors? Mystery oil could cost as much as \$600-700 per barrel.

Used Oil signage suggestions by the Committee: used oil from CBJ Harbor patrons only. EPA should be spelled out first time mentioned.

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VI. Items for Action. (Continued).

Minor edits to include deleting extra “for” in first bullet of Harbor Dumpster Rules.

MOTION by Chairwoman Jebe: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO ACCEPT SIGNAGE FOR USED OIL RULES AND HARBOR DUMPSTER RULES.

The motion passed without objection.

Russ Peterson commented on the LaVern Beier haul out to replace the Sultana’s stern. Concern about how long the grid will be occupied.

Lou McCall presented a letter to John Stone from the current downtown vendor booth holders concerning the location of the booths at the Cruiseship Terminal (CT). The booth prices for 2008, were a reflection of last year’s booth positions according to the letter. The letter says that the 2008, location is inferior, due to the high cost of permits, relocation to the 2007 location was requested. The buses block 2008 booth locations. The letter was signed by eight booth holders.

Further discussion by the Operations Committee continued. There had been a complaint from George Reifenstein regarding the congestion at the exit from the tram. Fire codes require a clear location at the tram. There is a curb backup safety issue. There never was any intent to keep the 2007 position permanent. Booth row placement is the harbors prerogative. There is a booth rotation on a daily basis.

VII. Staff and Member Reports.

Mr. Clauder, the downtown operation manager, reported to the committee members numerous projects that have begun and have been completed throughout the downtown harbors, and Port. hand out and photos presented. The report from Auke Bay was presented. Further Operations Committee discussion followed. Thanks for the good work at the harbors commented Lou McCall.

VIII. Committee Administrative Matters. The next meeting will be on July 16, 2008, at 5:00 p.m. at the Aurora Harbor Office.

IX. **MR. WILLIAMS MADE A MOTION: TO ADJOURN THE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING.**

The motion passed without objection.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21p.m.