

CBJ DOCKS & HARBORS BOARD  
CIP/PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

For Tuesday, August 25, 2009

I. Call to Order.

Committee Chair Mr. Fisk called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

II. Roll.

The following members were present: Mr. Preston, Mr. Keuffner, and Mr. Fisk.

The following members were absent: Mr. Etheridge, Mr. Mehrkens, Mr. Wostmann, and Mr. Williams.

Also in attendance were: Mr. Stone – Port Director and Mr. Gillette – Port Engineer.

III. Approval of Agenda.

**MOTION by Mr. Preston: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. The motion passed without objection.**

IV. Public Participation.

There were none at this time.

V. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes.

**MOTION by Mr. Preston: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JULY 28, 2009. The motion passed without objection.**

Committee Discussion/Action.

VI. Items for Action.

1. CBJ Purchase of Lehnhart Property for Statter Harbor Improvements.

Mr. Stone stated that in the Committee Member's packet is a letter from Nancy Lehnhart regarding the purchasing of their property which is located within the Statter Harbor plan. Mr. Stone had a presentation of which at this time pointed out to the Committee directly where the property is. He stated that in the process of developing this plan there is no doubt that her property will be heavily impacted. We have been communicating with Ms. Lehnhart in regards to this purchase of her property, of which she would like to get some finality.

Mr. Stone stated that basically what he would like to do is get the appraisal process started and come to a value. We have come to an agreement with the Lehnhart's that we would use Horan for the appraisal.

VI. Items for Action (cont'd).

Mr. Stone also stated to the Committee that we will have to get more State property which isn't owned by anyone at this time. He would have to go to DNR and get the land turned over so they can do the new launch ramp project.

Mr. Stone also pointed out that there is a piece of State Right of Way and we need to do some stuff with them to get this turned over to us.

Finally as mitigation for the project NOAA has suggested that we get a conservation easement for Bridgett Cove, which is another State action where we would have to get the land from DNR and this would be the final thing that the Board acknowledges that Mr. Stone will be working with DNR to get the conservation easement.

Further discussion took place with Mr. Stone and the Committee members at this time.

**MOTION by Mr. Keuffner: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO RECOMMEND THAT THE HARBOR BOARD AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR TO INVESTIGATE THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY AND RIGHTS OF WAY AT STATTER HARBOR AS NECESSARY TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE LAUNCH RAMP PROJECT AND TO UNDERTAKE ACTIONS AS MAY BE NECESSARY FOR REQUIRED ACQUISITIONS UPON COMPLETION OF THE EA. The motion passed without objection.**

More discussion took place at this time.

2. Application for TIGER Discretionary Grant from the Federal Department of Transportation..

Mr. Gillette stated that we have been discussing this in the past and that we are applying for an economic recovery grant through DOT. Mr. Gillette handed out a list to the committee members of items that should be in the grant. The grants are 20 million to 100 million with the exception that if there are smaller projects that are deemed significant they will look at them as well. Mr. Gillette went over the listing with the committee members at this time.

Further discussion took place regarding the items on the list.

After further discussion, the Committee member's have concluded to remove two items from the list. The first is the storage units for rental services, and the second it the ice machine.

The deadline for submission of the list is September 15.

**MOTION by Mr. Kueffner: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO DIRECT STAFF TO APPLY FOR A TIGER DISCRETIONARY GRANT FOR ABLF ELEMENTS WITH THE REMOVAL OF THE STORAGE UNITS FOR RENTAL AND THE ICE MACHINE. The motion passed without objection.**

VII. Items for Information/Discussion.

1. Update of Port-Customs-Visitor Center Project.

Mr. Gillette stated that he has distributed a new packet of schematics for this project (See attached).

He stated that last night the Assembly approved the amendment to Jensen Yorba Lott's contract to finish up the design for the visitors center and we will be moving forward on all three elements, the deck, the visitor's center and the customs building.

At this time Mr. Gillette went over the project updates with the Committee members.

Further discussion regarding the topic took place at this time.

2. Project Updates.

Mr. Gillette stated that as we all know the Auke Bay Loading Facility is up and running.

Douglas Harbor reconstruction – We have been told that the public notice from the Corps of Engineers should be going out within the next week or so.

Statter Harbor – The draft EA document is under review and hopefully we are coming to a close on this and then it will go out for public notice.

The sight analysis and observation of pedestrian movement for uplands operations analysis for the cruise ship dock reconfiguration is done and they are starting to generate some concepts of how we might be able to reorganize the area.

Further discussion took place at this time regarding bringing the vessel the Storis to Juneau and the location of where it will be.

VIII. Member & Staff Reports.

There were none at this time.

IX. Committee Administrative Matters.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 22, 2009 at 5:00 pm in the Assembly Chambers.

X. Adjournment.

**MOTION by Mr. Kueffner: ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO ADJOURN THE CIP/PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING. The motion passed without objection.**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.