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Regular Meeting
May 5, 2011

Chairperson Richard T. Edwards called meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. Commissioner Lynett McLean and Port Manager Chris Phalen were in attendance. Commissioner Robert D. Stevens was out sick.

Guests Present: Mr. Jarstad

Consent Items:

1. Motion was made and seconded to accept minutes of April, 2011.
Motion carried.
2. Vouchers: motion was made and seconded to accept vouchers for May, 2011 as prepared.
Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

1. Campground:

Port Manager Chris Phalen reported that the campground is starting to pickup. There is \$626.00 in the bank and \$126.00 to go to the bank. Petty cash has \$2009.57 and there is \$200.00 in savings. Port Manager Phalen deposited \$1,091.48 in Shelton.

2. Web Master:

Chairperson Edwards said we have a problem with the erosion and all the trees in the river. He said that would come under the Fisheries Dept. He added that he spoke to a lady in Shelton about the problem and was going to see her when he gets home.

3. Erosion in the Park:

Erosion in the park was discussed. Port Manager Phalen said the Fisheries said we could take that dead tree down because it was a danger to the public. Someone came in and wanted to camp in that spot but was told to pick a different site and when Port Manager Phalen returned to the park, someone had taken the tree down. Chairperson Edwards said he met with the Fishery People about this and was told we could address this and that she would come up and meet with us. He was told he would need a permit to address the erosion. After we get the permit from Fisheries, we will need to take it to the planning Department along with our plans for their approval.

Chairperson Edwards said he asked her to put a note in her files regarding this problem, and told her we have a lot of kids that use the park and play in the river. If one of them got hurt in that logjam, there would be a lot of problems. For public safety, we need to get it taken care of. He added that the Fisheries don't accept any financial compensation and for safety, we need to get it taken care of. If we get the permits and do this, it will be a cost to the Port. He said that DNR has a copy of our comprehensive plan and they are going to be meeting with Mason County Parks Development.

He thought that was strange because they are part of this Tahuya and Sharawood Forest. Mason County is working on a comprehensive plan for the next 6 years. Our Campground is also included in the plan. We want to expand our park and make it better. Chairperson Edwards will go to Shelton on Thursday and take care of the redistricting and meet with the Park Department. He added we have not heard back from DNR about school property.

Port Manager Phalen said the Small Ports meeting is on May 11, in Allyn. Commissioner McLean and Port Manager Phalen will attend the meeting. Chairperson Edwards will be working.

Port Manager Phalen said she has not been able to pull up the paperwork from the State Auditor Office. Chairperson Edwards told her to call Olympia and see if they could fax the material to her.

Chairperson Edwards said we got a letter from Hood Canal Highland Celtic Festival looking for sponsors. They are coming to the Thela Center over Labor Day Weekend, September 3-4, 2011. There is several size ads you can do. This was tabled until our next meeting.

Our next meeting will be June 7, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Richard T. Edwards, Chairperson

Robert D. Stevens, Commissioner

Lynett D. McLean, Commissioner

Christine F. Phalen, Port Manager