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**HINoon General Membership Meeting**  
Hayden Island Neighborhood Network  
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**February 13, 2019**  
Hayden Island Clubhouse  
FINAL MINUTES

**Board Members Present:** At-Large: Jeff Geisler; **HI Livability Project:** Herman Kachold; **Riverhouse:** Martin Slapikas; **West HI:** Gary Furgason; **Jantzen Beach Moorage:** Mark Thommen; **At-Large:** Richelle Beck;

**Board Members Absent:** **Jantzen Beach Moorage:** Traci Chapman-Roy; **At-Large:** Ron Ebersole; **At-Large:** Tom Dana; **Waterside:** John Stach; **Jantzen Beach Moorage:** Karen Davis; **Hayden Bay Marina Homes:** Judy Alden;

**Homeowner Associations Not Represented:** Columbia Point East, Hayden Bay Condos, Jantzen Beach Village Condominiums, Lotus Isle Homes, Marina Riverhouse, Columbia Point West, Yacht Harbor Apartments, Riverhouse East

**Additional Attendees: 12**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Jeff Geisler

**Treasury Report:**

Mark Thommen provided the treasury report. \$420.35 has been raised so far with the Bottle Return fundraiser. End of January totals: Business checking, \$1,038.71; Money Market, \$4,227.72. The Board agreed to keep the bottle bag money separate from the checking account at this time. Please see myhaydenisland.com for the full report.

**November and December 2018 Minutes Approval:**

There were not enough Board members in attendance to approve the minutes.

**Presentations**

**Land Use Planning, It's Impacts to West Hayden Island, and the North Portland Harbor, Bob Salinger, Audubon Society**

Salinger reported that a new baseball stadium in Portland is under discussion and planning advocates have determined the best location is at the Port of Portland's Terminal 2 on the Willamette River. This could have negative implications to West Hayden Island.

As part of its planning, the City of Portland annually reviews jobs and growth forecasts and whether the City has enough capacity to meet those needs. The City established the Industrial Land Bank to ensure there would be enough available property to meet future growth and job needs. Industry interests will often fight the City if there is not enough industrial land available to meet the job needs, and yet the Port of Portland's river front property at Terminal 2 has been sitting vacant for decades. The Port of Portland has asked the City to approve the property's use for a new terminal instead of keeping it in the Industrial Land Bank.

Here is the concern: West Hayden Island has often been the discussion for a Marine Terminal, which has been defeated many times. But if 50 acres are removed from the Industrial Land Bank to develop the Stadium, there will be a deficit in the land bank. This could turn eyes toward West Hayden Island to fill the gap, especially since it is waterfront property.

The Audubon Society is strongly urging Hayden Island and other City of Portland residents to reach out to the City of Portland and the Mayor asking them as they consider the stadium to address the land bank issues. In addition, the new stadium will likely mean increased growth in the area, pushing many current businesses out. They need to take the full picture into account and protect Hayden Island as a wildlife refuge, not to be used for industrial lands to fill the deficit.

Salinger also addressed Senate Bill 431 regarding levees along the Columbia River that need recertification. Studies are showing the levees won't pass recertification, making it difficult for residents and businesses to purchase flood insurance. This bill attempts to resolve the issues, but many people feel it needs revamping. While it does address green infrastructure and supporting natural habitat, it allows existing government to create new government and put government officials in charge. This gives great power to government officials, allowing them to take public land and change it however they choose. Instead, the Audubon Society encourages residents to suggest the Senate stick with the existing structure and fix the levees under the current structure.

A link will be made available for residents that leads them to the Audubon Society's website where draft letters can be downloaded.

## Committee Report

### **Emergency Team Update:**

Jan Roxburgh reported a "mega training" for emergency procedures has been scheduled for 3 sessions on Saturdays in March: the 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, and 23<sup>rd</sup>. The training will take place at Marshall High School, 8am-5:30pm.

Beck suggested that the HINooN funds might be used to build emergency supplies for the Island. It seems a good use of the money and the Island is severely lacking in emergency supplies. She asked the NET to comprise a list of needs and costs to be reviewed at the March Annual Meeting. Roxburgh stated finding locations to store the emergency supplies in what is referred to as the BEECN box (Basic Earthquake Emergency Communication Nodes) has been troublesome. The locations need to be secure but accessible to anyone. Beck to find a location on the east and Geisler agreed to find a location on the west end. More to come on this issue at the next meeting.

### **Air Quality:**

Odors from ECOLube continue to permeate local residents, although not as often as in the past. ECOLube has claimed dedication to fixing the issue and working with DEQ on compliance. They have installed thermal oxidizers,

but it seems more is needed. Residents hope they will come through on their promise to eliminate the odors and toxins emitting from their plant. Geisler stated he is meeting with ORRCO to find out what they are doing differently since it seems to odors come specifically from ECOLube and no other location (personal investigation by Geisler when the smell is evident).

**Transportation:**

With Tim Helzer now gone from HINooN, it will be up to someone else to put together a recommendation to DeFazio on the Columbia River I-5 bridge. Rather than bog down the HINooN meetings with long discussions, Slapikas suggested a committee be formed to work on a recommendation. Jim Howell agreed to meet with interested parties and put together a recommendation based on those discussions. More to come on this.

**Old Business**

**Homeless Issue:**

A new group has been formed on the Island to help with the homeless issue. They call themselves “My Friends of Hayden Island” and their goal is to walk the Island every Sunday and approach homeless sites to see how they can help them find resources to get off the streets. They meet at 10am on Sundays at the old Safeway parking lot, weather permitting. Anyone is welcome to join. Walks will be posted on Hayden Island Chit Chat and the HINooN Website.

**New Business**

**Navigation pipe maintenance update, Port of Portland**

Jayson Shanefelt, Port of Portland, informed the group that while the Port conducts maintenance on their floating pipe, located on the south side of the Oregon slough, they will be storing their vehicles on the Island where they can have easy access to their boats. The vehicles are being vandalized and tampered with on the mainland, so they hope storing them beyond the fence on the Island will help. The fence was recently cut but has since been reinforced. Meeting participants asked if the Port could do something about the derelict boats west of the train bridge. Jayson agreed to look into it, Geisler stated he’s been asking the City to help.

**Spending budget to qualify for grants**

Beck noted it is tough for the HINooN to ask for grants to help with Island needs while so much money is sitting in their account. She suggested that the HINooN Board consider spending it on some important things, such as emergency equipment for the Island and possibly a HINooN projector to use for presentations. She asked for a vote by the Board on these spending items at the next meeting. More to come on this.

**Dredging entrance to Hayden Bay**

The Hayden Bay entrance is increasingly lower with every year. This last year was the most difficult for getting boats out to the main channel. Even fire and rescue boats are struggling, causing them to approach the City of Portland for an emergency dredging permit. It was approved and the Corps of Engineers has been served. A meeting is scheduled for late February with the Corps, NOAA Fisheries, and the Portland Harbor Master to discuss next steps. A Hayden Island representative may need to get involved. More to come on this.

## **Annual meeting**

Next month is the Annual Meeting. Food and beverage will be provided starting at 6:30pm. A location is yet to be determined.

HINooN needs more participation. At the Annual Meeting, they will need to appoint a new Secretary and Treasurer as both Richelle Beck and Mark Thommen need to step down. HINooN also needs more participation to work on land use issues, security involvement, website updates, and other needs that may arise. Many Island HOA's aren't involved in HINooN and that needs to be addressed. How can we get more involvement to help with these key issues?

## **Island Happenings**

Albertsons (the owners of the old Safeway building) has indicated a new lease for the old building is in the works. It will not be a grocery store due to the competition that would create for the nearest Safeway on MLK.

A new 76 gas station is planned for the empty space next to the Rodeway Inn.

## **Next meeting:**

The next HINooN meeting will be the Annual Meeting. Dinner and non-alcoholic beverages will be served at 6:30 pm with the Annual Meeting to begin at 7:00 pm.