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April 27, 2016 • Orcas Island

**DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**

**Attending:**

Members present: Mark Madsen, John Evans, Mike Sanders, Steve Hushebeck, Charlie Bodenstab, Bill Appel • Excused: Marilyn Gresseth, Gretchen Staehlin, Lance Evans • Guest(s): Rick Hughes • Recorder: Victoria

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| **Topic** | **Key Discussion Points and Agreements** | **Actions and Next Steps** |
| Call To Order | The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Mike Ahrenius |  |
| Consent Agenda | April consent agenda: March 2016 minutes and financials. All in favor. 2016 budget revision – Board will revisit in fall | **M/S/P:** April consent agenda |
| Director’s Report | Data for ag community, workshops: Pricing for Business, Crowdfunding, Business Planning & Financing (well attended), pitching stories for San Juan Islands Made + other PR, alternate funding sources, San Juan County/Gulf Islands economic symposium April 29th (joint project of SJC + EDC), save the date for Annual Luncheon on June 17th from 11:30-1:30, OPALCO op-ed, Customs/small aircraft scheduled service initiative + survey, grant proposal for small engine repair course in SJC, upcoming workshops: Pricing for Business (Orcas, Lopez), Business Startup 101 (SJI), Advanced Multitasking (SJI), New York Times interview + research, targets for Commerce: 24 businesses assisted, 14 “capacity building activities”, 7 “community activities” |  |
| Reports | * 1. Job skills training/internships, Charlie & Gary   2. Marine Trades Association – Mike   3. Entrepreneurship – Victoria   4. Capital Projects List – Mark, Gary, VC |  |
| Announcments/ Discussion | Lance: Orcas Chamber is deep in events; Steve: Spring St. paving starts next week, should be done by early May; Mike: Spring Street Landing project is moving right along, tenant improvement can start downstairs soon; Charlie: new exhibit at IMA is fantastic; Marilyn: busy at the Architect office; Gretchen: busy at Heritage Bank; Danna: SJISD strategic planning. |  |
| Meeting adjourned | Meeting adjourned, 11:00 a.m. |  |