



DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Attending:

Members present: Mark Madsen, Marilyn Gresseth, John Evans, Gary Franklin, Gretchen Staehlin, Mike Ahrenius, Steve Hushebeck, Charlie Bodenstab • Excused: Jack Yelverton, Lance Evans • Guests: Duncan Wilson, LoriAnn David • Recorder: Victoria

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 Gary	
Consent Agenda Bylaws Discuss	January consent agenda: Decembers 2015 minutes and financials. All in favor. Bylaw amendments discussed and adopted, all in favor.	M/S/P: January consent agenda M/S/P: Bylaw amendments
Director's Report	Port of Orcas Economic Development Projects Analysis document, Bylaws rewrites: Mark, Marilyn & VC, Dept of Commerce/Port of Seattle/ADO recruiting initiative meeting in Seattle, data for Lopez Island Family Resource Center, San Juan Islands Made – new logo + deliveries of shelf talkers to stores, new quarterly lunch/SJI Chamber (Robin attended), Marine Trades Association establishment has started, coordination of 6 months of workshops nearly completed, presentation to Islanders Bank next week, potential trip to Canada for EDC + SJC, WEDA/Commerce semiannual meeting will be in March, year-end reporting completed	AI: Send Gary the RCW on .09 funds
Reports	Committees for 2016 & leads: 1. Job skills training/business internships, VC 2. Entrepreneurship – Charlie & Gary, Mark (Launch SJI's), VC 3. Marine Trade Association – Mike, VC 4. Capital Projects List – Mark, Gary, VC	AI: Draft bylaws to Board for February meeting
Announcements/discussions	ARC funding discussion, SJC building permit discussion, apprenticeship funding availability. Gary: real estate up +20% vacant land, -12% homes, rentals hard to come by. Gretchen: lots of small business loans at Heritage, Heritage bankers go to Spring St. School each year to teach financial planning to seniors. Steve: new cohort of LSJI with 2 people from mainland. Charlie: Ai Weiwei exhibit has started. Mike: Port's new building has started with Wellman/Zuck, slow time of year for shipyard, no air show this year. Marilyn: architecture office has been busy and all incomes are being represented. Duncan: revenues up (sales +6%, LTAC +10%), new projects on Spring and Tucker coming, Town working with local orgs to look at housing issue. Guest Lori Ann David introduced herself and gave a brief history of her time as an entrepreneur, and her current ventures in agriculture. John congratulated the Town on their hard work, notes that we should keep a focus on ease of commercial building in SJC and on housing.	AI: 6 month reminder for building permit discussion AI: Explore permitting classes with SJC Plan. Dept.
Meeting adjourned	Meeting adjourned, 11:10 a.m.	