

Friday Harbor Port District

Port Commission Meeting
San Juan Island Yacht Club
Friday March 13th at 10:00 AM
Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioners Present: Barbara Marrett
Richard Goodhart

Port Staff Present: Todd Nicholson, Executive Director (Zoom)
Kyle Gropp, Deputy Director
Mike Roling, IT Administrator

Public Present: Jill Belcovson, LWWSJ

Citizen comments/requests: Citizens can make a brief comment or may ask the Commission to schedule a topic for further discussion at a future meeting.

None

Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of Payroll and Vouchers
- B. Approval of Minutes: February 27, 2026

Commissioner Goodhart moved to approve the consent agenda, Commissioner Marrett seconded the motion. Commissioner Goodhart asked about the Mulno Cove Creations charge, it was explained that the charge is related to the History Report for the Cannery. Motion approved.

Action Items:

- A. Hangar K6A Consent – Gossom to Howard

Commissioner Goodhart moved to approve the Hangar K6A Consent. Commissioner Marrett seconded the motion. Motion Approved.

- B. Osytertale Lease

Commissioner Goodhart moved to approve the Oystertale Lease. Commissioner Marrett seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Discussion Items:

- A. Schedule for Cannery Special Meeting

Deputy Director Gropp explained that we are trying to figure out a more specific time to schedule the first public meeting for the Cannery. Initial thoughts are sometime for the first week of June. It was indicated that an evening/after work meeting would be best. It was suggested that the Mullis Center would be a good venue for the meeting. Commissioner

Goodhart asked about the zoning change for the parcel. Executive Director Nicholson explained that it will be on the county's annual docket towards the end of the year with the new zone taking effect in 2027. The new zoning is likely to be Rural Industrial or Rural Commercial.

A member of the public stated they thought it would be possible to accommodate multiple suggestions simultaneously.

A tentative time of 5:30p on Thursday June 4th was picked. Executive Director Nicholson indicated that he'd check on the availability of the Mullis Center for that time.

Executive Director Report:

None

Deputy Director Report:

Deputy Director Gropp updated the commission on the solar canopy project; the permits are all in hand and the Port Staff is working on fencing off the area and clearing it of vehicles to begin asphalt work Monday. The steel structure is scheduled to be delivered at the end of the month or early next.

Deputy Director Gropp noted that an email was sent out from the Food Bank and Food Hub to the commissioners regarding freezer space. He reported that he did have a meeting with them to get a better understanding of their needs and plans. Many of our current areas are not a good fit for what they need.

Executive Director Nicholson explained that in the future the Port may be able to develop some of the Port's industrial lands after they gain access to utilities. At that time the Port may be better able to help solve this problem, but it is at least 5 years in the future.


Port Commissioner Reports and New Business: Commissioners may share information or introduce topics for discussion at future meetings.

Commissioner Goodhart asked if the Port should look at having an exhibit at the County Fair for the Cannery and possibly the electrification program. Commissioner Marrett suggested that we'd possibly look at adding an exhibit to the stewardship village.

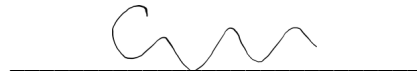
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Jill Belcovson inquired if the Oystertale lease was to the current owner, or to a new owner. It was clarified that the lease is a new lease to the new owner of the business.

Adjourn: 11:01a



Barbara Marrett, Commissioner



Graham Black, Commissioner



Rich Goodhart, Commissioner