

Eastsound Planning Review Committee

Minutes of June 5, 2025

Meeting opened at 3:02 pm

Attending: Jason Bradshaw, Mia Kartinger, April Duke, Cindy Wolf, Morgan Meadows, Sophia Cassam

Bill Bangs, Charles Toxley, Bob Eagan, Justin Paulson (commissioner), Margie Bangs

Additions – Mia would like to discuss the port at the end of the meeting

May minutes approved without changes or additions

Public comments-

Bob Eagan – parking, parking, parking in Eastsound!

Tillery Williams – new deputy county manager – on board 5 weeks- departments that he will be overseeing: public defense, public records, IT, communications (back up the county manager)

Jason explained the purpose and goals of the EPRC for him, Charles elaborated that the Eastsound Subarea Plan takes precedence over the county-wide plan

Recruitment update – Morgan Meadows, appointed to EPRC

Council Updates – Jason Bradshaw reappointed to EPRC board and as chair.

Recruiting for DCD director – have applicants worth considering this time (4th round)

Parking ordinances to establish signage and fines in the county – updating next Tuesday, including new signage at the Orcas Landing – short 72 hours and longer 5-7 days – gives the county the ability to get rid of dumped vehicles

No overnight parking/hour limitations to be installed at Madrona Point due to uptick in overnight parking and late-night partying

Strengthening the moorage ordinances at the county dock – from \$25 a day to \$250 a day to incentivize sheriffs to follow up and scoff laws to follow the rules

Trying to fix a new float at the Eastsound (dingy dock) is difficult because currently the end of the dock is coming detached

Rebman's retiring from WSF and no word from WSF on who the transition entity is. The new contract will be held through 2028 with the ability to bail with a 30-day notice. The current contract is horrible.

Mia would like to see if it's plausible for the Port to take over the operation – public facing fully accountable organization. Each island's port is its own entity.

Questions:

Cindy – will there be any dialog between the county staff and the builder's association? Is the builder's association lobbying the county? There used to be a builder's advisory board that was not a paid, lobbying organization.

Justin – trying to revive a builder's advisory board but it's difficult because it needs certain official trades to be involved and needs targeted recruiting. We're in the code review process so this would be a good time to have an advisory board. The prosecuting Attorney's office is reviewing and reworking the building codes which are currently 185 pages long.

Sophia – Next month we should have some updates,

Mark and Kyle to attend our July meeting. (who are they and why?)

Cindy – asked about vacation rentals – Justin -that issue is being currently being voted on.

Mia – Port/Airport purchased the Vierthaler property and are removing the house. If they remove the foundation, will they be able to rebuild a hanger there some day?

Charles said that if they leave a gravel area then it is considered “developed” but if it goes back to nature then they might have rebuilding issues.

Permitting:

LANDUSE-25-0033

271412006000 Short subdivision– OPAL Pea Patch

Application, narrative, site plan:

<https://www.sanjuancountywa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/32747>

Jason said that there were questions about screening from neighbors to the north

Charles – brought up the sub-area plan 18.30.490 – Village Table #11

that regulates screening (hiding) and buffering, where and when required.

18.30.670 “D” Landscaping

Both landscape screening and buffers are required.

Jason thought that it's good to remind them about these rules

Next month's agenda:

Vacation rental update

Builders advisory voice for Orcas and DCD

Introduction to new code enforcement officers

Information about Rosario plans update

Meeting adjourned at 4:05