

Approved Minutes Regular Meeting

Point Roberts Community Advisory Committee

January 18, 2024. 7 p.m. via Zoom

Call to Order 7 p.m.

Absent - Member Prakash Sundaresan

Adoption of Agenda

Added discussion of dog park & dock at Lighthouse Park

And archaeology for Whidbey Broadband

Adoption of Minutes December 21, 2023

Unanimous save for absent member

Correspondence

TBD funds (see Old Business)

Environmental Impact Statement Scoping for a Countywide Comprehensive Plan and Development Regulations Update allocating population, housing, and employment growth, which may include necessary amendments to other policies and standards, to include climate change and resiliency standards. (See New Business)

First Public Comment

Potential dock suggested for Lighthouse Park. Information forwarded to County Parks. Dog park still being pursued.

The archaeology for Whidbey Broadband has resumed. Project two months to completion.

Old Business

Whatcom Transportation Authority/Circle of Care January 10, 2024 meeting synopsis - Waiting for Memorandum of Agreement from Whatcom Transportation Authority. Outreach to community required for personnel.

Update PRCAC by-laws - new quorum definition to read "majority of authorized members" rather than current membership. Will bring language amendment to 2/24 meeting. While not necessary for by-law amendment changes to WCC 2.03 adopted by County Council 12/23 allowing non citizen, non registered voter residents (defined as anyone who lives here even part time, which suggests visitors and transient unhoused eligible) to qualify for appointment to Point Roberts Community Advisory Committee.

New Business

Tree removal permit application has been amended to include Point Roberts.

Maple Beach Seawall reconstruction should be considered as part of EIS for Comprehensive Plan given sea level rise, existing drainage, and septic.

Strategizing for Production of Economic Development Plan by Port of Bellingham, to reflect necessary amendments to Point Roberts SubArea Community Plan and Special District prior to their adoption/inception is at point of discussion with Port re: funding and interest.

Scoping of Environmental Impact Statement for Countywide Comprehensive Plan update and all associated documents. Public scoping meeting scheduled for January 24th and initial scoping of Environmental Impact Statement comments due January 31st.

Second Public Comment

Concern regarding keeping green waste on Point with statement State law requires by 2026.

Member Norman notes consideration of adult family home, memory care, and day care for seniors under consideration by Circle of Care

Adjournment 8:24 p.m.