



Spud Point Marina

County of Sonoma - Regional Parks Department

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Spud Point Advisory Committee Meeting February 15, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM

Roll Call - Present:

Tony Anello - President, Richard Ogg via Phone, Lorne Edwards-Absent, Scott Bertelsen, David Robinson – Parks Operations Manager, Noah Wagner – Spud Point Marina Supervisor, and Marina Secretary Lori Cavanaugh.

Approval of July 18, 2022, Minutes.

Motion by Scott Bertelsen Second by Tony Anello, Motion Passed, Minutes Approved

Spud Point Advisory Committee Business

New Committee Members Update –

Presented by Tony Anello

Departing Member Scott. New at large Member Ritchie. Sworn in by David Robinson.

Maria Staff Updates – Presented by Noah Wagner

Staff Reports. Marina and Icehouse update. The last meeting was 07-18-22.

Staffing Hours. Lori Cavanaugh is retiring on March 7th. There will be a Best Wishes Get Together on March 3rd. at the marina office.

Finding a replacement has been difficult. Noah Solter is being trained until a hire is made. Hired James Howe & Mark Liiv as Extra Help Marina Attendants. Dennis Ball has come back after retirement to build docks and help at Mason's Marina.

Marina Update – Presented by Noah Wagner

Crab Season wrap up – 2022-2023 was a strange year. Sports Season started on November 5th.

Commercial Fishing opened December 28th. Storms came in only ½ the gear was allowed out. That was lifted as of January 15th, and 100% gear can be used. Lots of lost gear due to storms. Price has been low. \$1.85 up North, \$2.50 here, and \$2.25 San Francisco.

Icehouse- Service for the year complete Oct.-Jan was done. Repaired refrigeration leak, fixed and topped off, descaled on the drum and condenser. It had not been done for a while and it took a long time to take it off. Replaced the ice rake chain, sprocket & sprocket bearings. The bin room defrost heater inside the AC unit was replaced. Thank you to Chris and Julio. Noah was on vacation. Chris found defrost heater and worked with the vendor to get it back online. The main starter motor grounded out it was \$9,400.00 to replace and had to be installed by hand. Noah brought to the attention of the committee the total maintenance and repair costs from 2019-2022 - \$87,000.00 on maintenance and repairs. We only collected \$165,000.00. and the 87k Doesn't include water, staff time and electrical costs.

It was recommended the bearings on twin screws should be replaced on the ice house. There are three bearings on each shaft. Electrical Equipment Company (EEC) has quoted the work, but a hole must be cut into the Icehouse wall to get the shaft out which makes the project larger and more expensive.

Richie Franceschi requested to wait to do the work, the Salmon Season looks terrible and fishermen need Ice

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in March for Crabs.

Update on a few projects – presented by Noah Wagner

Mason's Marina

Several large sections of the break wall, 3 pilings, 4 fingers- 3 vessels broke loose. D Dock broke apart. Many boat saving actions by marina staff.

Spud Point Marina

Tie downs ripped from lots of boats, Dock Box Lids blow off and were lost in the water, broken water lines and boats needed to be pumped out.

Sports Fishing Center

Large wave panel broke loose. Large wave action on the transient dock caused it to break in half. Lost a lot of floatation.

Yearly fuel system and spill bucket certification passed. We spent \$115,000.00 in repairs since 2019. This total doesn't include tank cleanings, monthly inspection. Our pumps are for inland gas stations and not ideal for Marine use. Some components fail repeatedly, and dispensers are rusted out. We plan to replace them and are getting replacement dispenser quotes for Marine Grade Stainless Steel Pumps.

Youth Crew will be present in March for painting the Icehouse.

Chris was awarded a Parks Foundation grant for an Oil Filter Crusher. This will save us money on Hazmat disposal costs.

Incident Reports

07/29 A person jumped from a boat at the Fuel Dock.

08/08 Boat collision.

08/29 Spill-Report Taken F/V Juliet - Staff Clean Up.

09/10 Spill unknown source.

09/20 Mason's Spill unknown source.

11/07 Theft at Mason's.

11/08 Spill unknown source.

11/18 Boat sinking, pump out and pulled from water at Mason's due new live well installed incorrectly.

12/14 Mason's Slip and fall-report only-due to frost and ice as the reported cause.

01/04 Storms- Lisa Lu broke loose, hit break wall, 3"x1" hole. Danielle Louise-broke loose, hit boat next to it, staff member injury-report but no medical attention needed. Loss of power at marina.

Bandit/Irene/Juliet-Citations.

Delayed extending hours at the marina for crab season until commercial crab opener in January. We will be extending our hours this Spring when we know more about Salmon Season.

Marina Statistics – presented by Noah Wagner

Statistics hand out given by Noah for 2nd Qtr. Slow, no commercial crabbers showed up due to delayed season.

Budget Update-presented by David Robinson

2nd quarter barely breaking even. 290K short to end fiscal year. Our payment to the boating and waterways is concluded.

Increase of \$48,000 in the cost for electricity over the last 5 years.

Labor costs are up. We can't find people to work.

Gas and fuel sales are not a profit - it's a wash - Cash in/Payments out.

Fuel lines used up our funding for the Dock rebuild. All costs have gone up.

Grant to clean up bay and boats wasn't awarded. We will resubmit next round.

Kaiser Foundation grant allows us to use Youth Group for cleanup and maintenance.

40K for fuel dispensers from Parks Foundation.

Marina Fee Increases-David Robinson

Permanent berthing at Spud Point Marina will be going up we are allowed a 5% increase but we are only going up 3% \$7.25 to 7.50. per. ft. per. mo.

Mark up on fuel will be July 1, 2023.

Mason's RFP- David Robinson

Tony asked - Who holds the lease for the Masons Dock behind the store and who is Kathy Anello renting from, the Community Fishing Association?

David Robinson – It is a Month to month special permit/not lease until the RFP is ready. Association gave up lease. End of March/April RFP should be ready. 3 Panel for bids – Should have a new tenant by June/July.

Public Comment

None

Future Agenda Items

Generator for Spud. RFP update for Mason's. Advisory Member Open seat.

Next Meeting to be held

TBD

Meeting Adjourn

Motioned by Scott Bertelsen, second by Ritchi Ogg, motion passed, meeting adjourned at 2:45pm.