



PACIFIC NORTHWEST  
**Salmon Center**

PNWSC Board Minutes  
5:00 – 7:00 pm @ Pacific NW Salmon Center Office  
February 12, 2009

**Directors Present:**

Fred Barrett                      Paul Hirsch                      Leslie Krueger  
Sue Patnude                      Neil Werner

**Director Emeritus:**                      Bob Hager

**Directors absent:**

Mike Henderson                      Al Adams                      John Burgess                      Jay Saucedo

**Staff:**                      Michelle Hori

**Guests:**                      David Peterson                      Bill Portuese

**Call Meeting to Order: Chair**

The meeting was called to order by Fred Barrett at 5:00 pm.

**Roll Call: Secretary**

The Secretary called the role. We do have a quorum.

**Minutes Approval: Secretary**

*It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of January. The motion passed unanimously.*

**Financial Reports: Staff**

*It was moved and seconded to approve the financial reports for December 2008 and January 2009. The motion passed unanimously.*

**Public Comment:**                      None

**Approval Items:**

**New Board Members:**

The following gentlemen are up for nomination to the Board of Directors to fill positions 5, 8 and 12:

Dr. Bill Portuese, facial plastic surgeon

David Peterson, NMSD Superintendent

Larry Peck, retired Deputy Director of the Department of Fish and Wildlife

*It was moved and seconded to approve the new slate of directors. The motion passed unanimously.*

**Will Langemack Ltd:** The next step on the property is to renovate the existing buildings and bring them up to commercial code. Will Langemack is a local architect with experience in code renovations. Up for approval is a design and consulting contract to have him review

structures and in conjunction with a contractor develop a renovation plan. He will also set up and attend the permitting meetings with Mason County. The contract fees are \$75/ hour not to exceed \$3,000. *It was moved and seconded to approve the contract as presented with the understanding that Will Langemack coordinate with Jay Himlie of PUD to assure conformity to LEED requirements.. The motion passed unanimously.*

#### **AFCI LOI**

The Alliance for Cooperative Innovation is a group of former infrastructure consultants who have developed a legal structure for a public private partnership model. They have completed pilot projects in PA, want to roll out nationwide and wish to establish a chapter in WA. They would identify partners, define regulatory hurdles, find funding and facilitate the transfer of funds from public utilities/districts to public private partnership structure. They have drafted an LOI that states PNWSC agrees to discover with them if a partnership is feasible in WA. If we agree, we become the first partner in WA and it is a potential revenue stream for the SC. Staff will distribute the LOI and a sample document from PA for review and we will vote electronically.

#### **Discussion Items**

##### **2008 Audit**

We did not have an audit last year. Clarke Whitney, CPA, has advised an audit vs. a review if we are going to start applying for grants and state or federal funding this year. Cost would be approximately 8K a little over half that for review. Staff will research further and have more information at next meeting.

**WSDOT Stormwater** – Have produced letter saying they did not choose PNWSC. There are various items missing from their calculations and assumptions they have made that are invalid. Neil and Pat McCullough are preparing a letter in response. We have a meeting to discuss these results Feb 19<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. Please review documents and get feedback to Neil by end of week for inc into response.

**Trails Management Meeting Update** - Fred and Sue met with Mel Coffman, Tim Wing and Anne Whitman (Theler) and Penny Warren of WDFW regarding the future of the Theler trails. We are trying to avoid a disconnect between the organizations as to future, ownership, management, vision, etc. It was agreed that we would keep Theler in the loop regarding any trails projects so they can field inquiries. We will be developing a maintenance and operations agreement between the SC and WDFW. We need to clarify the role of NMSD as landowner. Communication with the public needs to start now to show we are here to offer more opportunity to the public, not to restrict the trail system. We could establish an end loop around vault toilet to show we are doing something that goes back to the community. Trails enhanced, relationship is enhanced, round trip established.

**Chamber "After Hours" – Thursday February 12<sup>th</sup> 5-8pm at the Property.** We will provide lots of visuals. Selah Inn will be doing the catering free of charge (less food expense) McGavick/Bill Brioche will be making a wine donation.

#### **Fundraising Committee:**

Gary Yazwa Meeting follow up: He is going to help us find a development director. As a Board we need to look at hiring someone at least part time whose primary focus is bringing in funding.

Neil and staff are meeting with USDA and Norm Dicks' office next week. The following week they are meeting with USFWS and Norm's office to discuss funding possibilities.

Worked up new strategic plan. Construction of new buildings is out to 2013 so permitting agencies and foundations know we have a realistic plan and a place for foundations to step in. Now working on going back to foundations with proposals now we own the property

**Communications:**

Next meeting in March will be at 4:30 pm.

Weekly updates do Wednesday's so that I am in office available next day.

**WSHF**

We need to be thinking about a replacement for Jeff Koenings on the Final Selection Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm

Submitted by Michelle Hori  
For Paul Hirsch, Secretary