## ANDERSON ISLAND CITIZENS' ADVISORY BOARD FEBRUARY 11, 2021 FERRY COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY MINUTES Due to

#### COVID 19 restrictions and for safety reasons, this meeting was conducted via ZOOM.

**Call to Order and Verification of Quorum:** Chair David Albertson called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 pm. A quorum was confirmed. The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag was observed.

Randy Rogers (Pierce County Airport and Ferry Administrator), Jani Hutchens (Pierce County District 6 Councilmember), Steve Caputo (Hornblower Mgr) and Kathleen Maddox (Ketron Rep) also attended this meeting.

Approval of Agenda: It was moved, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote to approve the agenda as written.

**Approval of November 12, 2020 Ferry Committee Minutes:** It was moved, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote to approve the proposed Ferry Committee minutes from the November 12, 2020 meeting.

# DISCUSSION:

## **RANDY ROGERS:**

**Steilacoom Ramp Repair:** This project is scheduled to take four weeks, beginning on March 1st. There will be a web site set up for project updates. The work will be done at night from Sunday evening through Friday Night, 8:45 pm-5am. The last two evening runs and the first morning run will be cancelled during this time.

**Engine Overhaul:** The Steilacoom II will be undergoing a main engine overhaul at the terminal for 3-4 weeks during the same timeframe as above. This will affect the fuel runs. Randy has asked Barbara Lake if she could top-off the tanks at the store—no response yet.

**Island Parking Lot Project:** This project has been put off until August due to Federal funding requirements. New trees will be planted in the area and the county will be responsible for caring for the trees. Aaron Babo will provide info for publishing in the Sounder. There was some discussion about additional lighting and cameras for this project, as well as new bus parking. This will be reviewed. It was noted that Randy was not here when these items were originally requested and discussed.

### AICAB BOARD QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS:

**Ferry Schedule Gap 12:10-2:45:** This is the number one complaint and concern about the ferry schedule and seems to be the cause of the daily overflows and backups.

**Two Ferry Service:** There are no plans at the moment to increase two ferry service. Rates must be increased to provide more service. This is something that must be publicized and sold to the public.

**Ferry Tracking:** The AI Asst app has been tracking ferry location. The AICAB Finance Committee will clear payment to Bob Bedal for the charges for this.

**Ferry Data Review by Kelly Hallock and Randy:** Not yet ready. The problems appear not to be due to the schedule, rather due to more people coming to the island.

**Ferry Management Contract Status:** The RFP for the next ferry contract is being reviewed by the council now and should be released soon. Additional bidders have been identified.

**Status of the Planned Steilacoom Roundabout:** Public meeting on the 16th of February, Heather will send out link.

Status of Cameras for the Island Parking Lot and Upper Lanes, Streetlights, etc.: Lights installed by the first week in March, including a third light by the store.

**Request for Lanes Closed Signage on the Island**: Heather Rankos and Dave Jacobson will represent our interests for this.

**Request for Consistent Written, Advertised and Administered Ferry Policies:** Info regarding things such as payment exemptions, low tide closures, priority boarding, etc.

Adjournment: It was moved, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote to adjourn the meeting at 6:30.