APPROVED DRMT Meeting Notes, October 11, 2017

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DRMT Members Present: Robert Phreaner/Olympic Peninsula Audubon Society, Shawn Hines/Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe (alt), Ann Soule/City of Sequim, Cathy Lear/Clallam County, Shawn Hines/Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe (alt), Cathy Lear/Clallam County DCD, Don Hatler/Sports Fisheries, Joe Holtrop/Clallam Conservation District, Yewah Lau/U.S. Forest Service, Matt Heins/Riverside Property Owners-Estuary Tidelands

Others Present: Mark Ozias (Clallam County Commissioner), Carrol Hull (Clallam County League of Women Voters), Ted Stadtnueller (Graymarsh), Clallam County Environmental Health staff members present- Jacob Melly, Janine Reed, Chelsea Lierly, Lindsey Aspelund, Andy Perham, Beth ?, Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe staff members present- Christopher Burns, Randy Johnson, Lori DeLorm, Hansi Hals, Robert Knapp, Aaron Brooks, Bob Simmons (WSU Extension), Marguerite Grover (Sequim Association of Realtors), Lyn Muench (Clallam Marine Resources Committee), Bill Strehle (Resident), Phil Martin (Resident), Jennifer Bond (Clallam Conservation District), Mike Dashiell (Sequim Gazette).

I. Introductions/Review Agenda/Review and Approve DRMT Draft Meeting Notes

Scott Chitwood called meeting to order. Introductions were made, sign in sheets circulated. Don moved to approve September notes as provided, Matt seconded. None opposed, motion carried.

Public Comment:

- None
- II. Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) Enforcement Presentation and Q/A, Sergeant Kit Rosenberger, WDFW.
 - Purpose of presentation is to provide an overview of WDFW Enforcement operations and challenges on the North Olympic Peninsula.
 - WDFW Officers are focused on enforcing local and state fishing and hunting laws, consider them "police officers of the outdoors". They also address public safety, traffic, and other cases as needed.
 - WDFW covers both fresh and salt water in Jefferson and Clallam Counties with 5 field officers.
 - Current workload requires approximately double the current WDFW Officers. There has been no increase in WDFW Officers since 1994.
 - WDFW Officers must pass the same training as Police Officers.
 - WDFW Officers have flexibility in setting their schedules, however, they are expected to work 171 hours in a 28 day period.
 - Responsibilities of the WDFW Officers include:
 - Perform boater safety inspections and education;
 - Marijuana Eradication- finding and clean up illegal marijuana grows;
 - Saltwater patrols- joint enforcement agreement with NOAA;
 - o Sanitary shellfish patrols partners with Department of Health;
 - Natural Disaster Response
 - o Aquatic Habitat Protection- checking Hydraulic Permit Applications (HPA) permits;
 - Swift water rescue team;
 - Address Human/Wildlife interactions (e.g. cougars).
 - Kit re-iterated that he greatly appreciates any calls- with their limited staffing as many eyes on the ground helps.

III. Fall Field Trip. Stops at:

- WDFW Restoration site at old 3 Crabs Restaurant;
- Golden Sands- Sea Lawn Drive;
- Dungeness Farms.

IV. Other Business/Announcements/Follow-ups

None

Meeting adjourned and group headed to field trip 2:40. Field trip ended at 5:05

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