

Port Ludlow Village Council

Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) Report

by Jack McKay, PLVC Secretary

February Meeting Highlights

The Port Ludlow Village Council's February meeting was held at the Bay Club on Thursday, February 5, with approximately 20 residents attending. President Lynn Gauché convened the meeting at 3:00 p.m. Council members present were Jim Boyer, Gene Carmody, Helen Cotta, Lynn Gauché, Doug Henderson, Laury Hunt, Jack McKay, Dean Mosier, Larry Nobles, Tony Simpson, and Art Zoloth.

Correspondence addressed to the President included an announcement by the Port Ludlow Auxiliary of the Seattle Children's Hospital. The Auxiliary will hold their First Annual Walkathon using the Port Ludlow Trails on **Saturday, July 25**.

Treasurers Report

Gene Carmody, treasurer, submitted the January 2009 fund balances. Income in January was \$135.00; expenditures were \$885.75. The balance is \$10,577.86. A motion passed to accept the January financial statement.

Carmody cautioned the Council about the possible impact of the Hood Canal Bridge closure on **Friday Market** and the Port Ludlow Days proceeds and discussed the 2009 budget. Projected Income for the next year is \$30,000. Projected expenses are \$23,000. A motion to approve the proposed budget passed.

Reports from Agencies and Organizations

Port Ludlow Chamber of Commerce

Arlene Obtinario presented information about the Chamber of Commerce pre-Valentine's Day mixer on February 12 at the Beach Club starting at 5:30 p.m. Helen Cotta is the PLVC representative on the Chamber.

Port Ludlow Associates (PLA)

Diana Smeland, President, reported that PLA officials met with North Bay residents to discuss future developments in the community. Ms. Smeland also updated the Council on the Ludlow Cove and Shoreline Management permit issued for Ludlow Bay Village.

Public Relations Committee

Bill Browne requested that Port Ludlow Village Council be used in reference to the Council rather than the acronym PLVC to provide clarity for those who are new to the area.

Port Ludlow Village Council Board Meeting

General Meeting

Thursday, March 5

3:00 p.m., Bay Club

Workshop Meeting

Tuesday, March 17

3:00 p.m., Bay Club

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Community Development Committee

Larry Nobles reported that the Shoreline Management Program (SMP) proposals should not impact the community since Port Ludlow is grandfathered. In 2020 the Development Agreement (DA) will have to be renegotiated. (See related article on Shoreline Management on page 8.)

Trails Committee

Soozie Darrow reporting for the Natural Resources/Trails Committee said Dick Ullmann, Vice-chair for Natural Resources and Larry Scott, Chair for Trails, are both recruiting assistants for the 2009 season. Persons who might be interested in the assisting either chair or want to suggest a candidate should contact Dick Ullmann at 437-5010, e-mail rullman@olypen.com or Larry Scott at 437-9299, e-mail mclgscott@cablespeed.com. A motion to approve the Trails Committee Annual Report and to instruct the treasurer to transfer \$1,000 dollars to the Trails Committee for the year 2009 passed.

Friday Market

Doug Henderson reported that the **Friday Market** would open on **Friday, May 8**.

Port Ludlow Days

Doug Henderson reported that the Port Ludlow Days will be held during the week of **August 10-16 (Monday-Sunday)**.

Iron Mountain Quarry (IMQ) Committee Update

Lynn Gauché reported that the following activities have taken place recently:

- The Mineral Resource Land Overlay (MRLO) update was denied in our favor.
- The Conditional Use Permit (CUP) meeting date has changed to **mid-March**.

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- The land swap between the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and Pope Resources is still under consideration.

Ms. Gauché reported that the Iron Mt. Quarry Mitigation Committee, comprised of Lynn Gauché, Dan Meade and Tony Simpson, met with four Pope Resource officials on January 19, to determine ways to acknowledge concerns, i.e., the ongoing business of Pope Resources, their public image in Port Ludlow, the pending DNR land exchange, and the impact of possible mining and timber sales on property value and lifestyle of Port Ludlow residents.

The Port Ludlow Village Council will host an informational meeting with representatives of Pope Resources on **Wednesday, March 4**, 3:00 p.m., at the Bay Club. The purpose of the meeting with Pope Resources is to provide an opportunity to exchange ideas and dispel rumors about the company. Following that meeting, the IMQ Committee will meet again with Pope Resources and try to craft an agreement that will protect the interests of the Port Ludlow community.

Port Ludlow 20/20 Committee

Art Zoloth updated the Council on the meeting of the 20/20 Committee and topics covered, e.g., purpose of the Committee, outcomes and issues/opportunities. Committee members include: Chair Art Zoloth, Janet Barnes, Bev Browne, Val Durling, Doug Henderson and Steve Shanklin. The Council approved a motion to accept the current Committee membership list and that any future changes to its membership be presented to the Council.

Non-Affiliated Homeowners Committee

Helen Cotta requested the Council to approve the appointment of Karen Best and Jim Tallman to the Committee. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve them as members of the PLVC Non-affiliated Homeowners Committee.

Emergency Communications Committee

Dean Mosier asked the Council to define what is meant by “immediate dissemination of urgent information.” Committee members are Michael Asbury, Bill Browne, Jack McKay, Dean Mosier, Dave Pike and Art Zoloth. The Council approved a motion to accept the current Committee membership list and that any changes to the membership be presented to Council.

Phone Directory

Gene Carmody reported that the Directory Committee would be reorganized in **March**. Committee members presented for approval: Bob Azen, Gene Carmody, Dick Durand, Bob Force, David Goudie and Jack McKay. The Council approved the Committee membership list and

that any changes to membership be presented to Council for vote.

Projects Motions and Updates

Tony Simpson requested that the Council disband the following ad-hoc Committees since the projects have been completed:

- Community Development Standing Committee: Committee re-established.
- Banners for the Paradise Bay Parkway: Project completed.
- Public Relations Standing Committee: Committee established.
- Drive-up Mail Drop Box: Project completed and box installed.

Announcements

The next PLVC General Meeting is on **Thursday, March 5**, 3:00 p.m., at the Beach Club. The **March** Workshop will be held at the Beach Club on **Thursday, March 17**, 3:00 p.m. For an unofficial report on this meeting, with attachments, link to the PLVC website at <http://www.plvc.org> and click on “Port Ludlow Village Council.”

Update from the IMQ Mitigation Committee

by Lynn Gauché, PLVC President

On January 19 Lynn Gauché, Dan Meade and Tony Simpson of the Iron Mountain Quarry (IMQ) Mitigation Committee met with leaders of Pope Resources. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss community concerns about the Iron Mountain project and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) land transfer. We also talked about sight/sound barriers, buffers around the Master Planned Resort (MPR), easement protections, adhering to conditional use permitting (CUP) and limiting truck traffic within the MPR to minimize IMQ’s impact on our community.

As a result of our meeting, David Nunes, CEO of Pope Resources said, “We [Pope] realize now that lack of communication with Port Ludlow has helped to create fear and concern within our community.” As a landowner, Pope wants to become directly involved in the discussion surrounding the proposed IMQ operations. Mr. Nunes acknowledged there has been a lack of adequate information. He indicated that Pope would like to discuss the proposed mining operations with all the parties.

To facilitate this discussion they have asked the Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) and the South Bay Community Association (SBCA) for assistance in setting up

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a series of at least two community meetings. The first one, open to all residents of Port Ludlow, is scheduled for **Wednesday, March 4, 3:00 p.m.**, at the Bay Club.

In this first meeting Pope will focus on:

- Listening to and answering questions regarding the perceived issues residents have discussed over the past several months,
- Providing factual information concerning known issues, and
- Listening to any new concerns that may have arisen.

In the interest of creating the most open dialogue, the parties agreed that Iron Mountain officials would not be invited to the first meeting. Thought will be given as to whether they should attend later meetings.

Pope has agreed to follow-up sessions where they will address any issues that require additional research and consideration. Between meetings the Iron Mountain Mitigation Committee will meet again with Pope Resources to develop an agreement to help ensure the continued economic, recreation and health values of our community.

Please join us at this extremely important meeting on **Wednesday, March 4**, for what we hope will be a constructive interchange between Pope's leaders and the Port Ludlow community.

Whacking, Planting and Pulling— Will the Fun Never End?



Hardy souls hack through the Ludlow Cove Trail.

Submitted photo

The crew that showed up at the Ludlow Cove Trail to attack the overgrowth sure seemed to be having a good time. A group of seven or eight whacked and pulled up Scotch Broom, vines and weeds and the hidden Oregon Grape and small trees growing there.

This group worked for two hours on three separate occasions and took two huge loads of debris to the dump. You can now follow a clear path to the Picnic Point and enjoy Ludlow Bay. The trail is accessible across from Kitsap Bank where you can see a small parking area. Walk straight through the chained entrance and bear left.

In **March** we will again gather to sow wildflowers at the entrance to the interpretive trail. This will involve weed whacking, raking, rototilling and spreading seed gently

into the ground. When the spring rains come we hope to enjoy a beautiful native wildflower display. We will also plant a number of new natives and invite anyone who enjoys gardening to join us. Not to be forgotten, **Wednesday, April 1** is our eighth annual Noxious Weed Whacking Day. (See related article on page 11.)

With the arrival of spring we will have more fun spreading wood chips, trimming growth, removing fallen trees and forging new trails through the woods. Please enjoy our 14 miles of trails. Many dedicated workers have made them possible.



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