PLVC Board Meeting Minutes January 5, 2023

I. **Call to Order**: Dave McDearmid, President, called the meeting to order and stated that the meeting would be conducted according to Roberts Rules of Order for Small Boards and would be recorded. Secretary Mike Towner declared a quorum.

PLVC Board Members attending: Dave McDearmid, Tam McDearmid, Mike Towner, Paul Hinton, Ken Sondergard, Jane Holmes, Dave Jurca, Joan Johnston and Randy Edwards.

Dave then announced that he had accepted the office of President of the Board as appointed by the Board in accordance with the bylaws upon the resignation of Jim Moffitt in early December. PUD Commissioner Dan Toepper requested to be added to the agenda and the agenda was accepted as otherwise written.

II. Stakeholder Updates

Diana Smeland – President, Port Ludlow Associates announce that the PLA continues to work on Slow and Go dinners and an upcoming wine dinner in February. There will be two golf tournaments to be held at the Golf Course in January. The office park has three separate office spaces open for rent. Dave asked for an update on the permit for the Marina; Diana responded that they are continuing to discuss mitigation measures with the Corps of Engineers. She expects to see the permits completed in the first quarter, depending on the mitigations.

Greg Brotherton – Jefferson County Commissioner announced that he will be the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners for the coming year and that he plans to bring other guests with him to present updates on various large projects such as the roundabouts (WASDOT) and the Port Hadlock sewer. Dave Jurca asked about what the county is doing about the new Kraken COVID variant; Greg responded that the County Health Officer's reports had been reduced to monthly, but are now being presented on a semi-monthly basis due to the number of infectious diseases beginning to circulate and that the reduction in funding available will be putting a strain on the healthcare system.

Dan Toepper - PUD Commissioner talked about the PUD's website that contains email notifications and billing options. He also discussed some of the Broadband issues that are highlighted on the website. He will be in Washington, DC in March to lobby for some of the infrastructure solutions that the PUD is planning. Dave Jurca asked about the perpetrators involved in the recent electrical substation vandalizations; Dan responded about the cybersecurity and physical security efforts that the department is researching. Robert Chanpong mentioned the recent increases in electrical bills and Dan explained how the weather impacted some meter reads and skewed those bills.

Bret Black – Fire Chief East Jefferson Fire District talked about the Tax Levy Lid Lift that will appear on the February election ballot. That presentation will be made available in the near future. General information about the Fire District can be found on their Web page at www.ejfr.org.

III. Committee Reports

Mike Towner – Chair Communications Committee gave an overview of the eBlasts that were delivered to the community over the past year.

Robert Chanpong – Chair Utilities Committee encouraged residents to register interest in fiber Broadband with the PUD. He also discussed issues with abuse of cardboard recycling in the Recycling Center and mentioned that he has posted the pickup schedule a couple of time on *Nextdoor*. There will be a Styrofoam recycling event on January 17 at the Bridge Deck. Robert also mentioned that the new chlorination plant is running well and that testing shows that the coliform counts have been below the minimum and that magnesium has been removed by filtration.

Jane Holmes presented the Trails recap for Larry Scott, who was absent. Trail Stewards logged over 1,000 hours of volunteer labor during the past year.

IV. HOA Updates

Joan Johnston – LMC Vice President reported that the Polar Plunge returned on December 31st.

Randy Edwards – SBCA Vice President reported on a few minor items.

V. **Citizen Comments** There were no citizen comments

VI. Board Business Paul Hinton – Treasurer presented the fiscal report

VII. Adjournment