

Douglas Advisory Board (DAB) June 16, 2021
APPROVED MINUTES

Call to order: 5:31pm

Members present: Teri Tibbett (Chair), John Delgado (Secretary), Joyce Vick, Mary Kay Pusich, Ed Schoenfeld.

Others present: Beth McEwen, CBJ Municipal Clerk

I. Approval of Agenda. Approved.

II. Approval of Minutes 5.19.21. Approved, as amended.

III. Public Participation on non-agenda items. None.

IV. Presentation(s). None.

V. Unfinished Business

- **Douglas Island Cemeteries.** Teri reported reaching out to the mayor and city manager following-up to the DAB letter and back-up material delivered to the Assembly on 4.22.21 requesting CBJ take over ownership and maintenance of some Douglas Island Cemeteries. A response has not yet been received. The Assembly passed the CBJ FY22 budget on June 14 without funding directed for the cemeteries.
- **“Welcome to Douglas Island” Sign at the Roundabout.** No update.
- **Recycling on Douglas Island.** No update.
- **Bus Stop at Crow Hill and Cordova St.** Ed reported the state (DOTPF) is building two shelters on both sides of Douglas Highway at Lawson Creek, with no plans to build others on the highway. A shelter on the uphill side at Crow Hill shelter is not likely because few riders wait for a buses heading in that direction (toward Douglas), most are getting off. Ed will continue to track and report on the bus shelters.
- **Crosswalk in front of Louie’s.** Ed will follow-up with DOTPF and or CBJ on the crosswalk designation at 3rd and D streets, and report to DAB.
- **Bathrooms at Savikko Park.** DAB members support keeping the bathrooms at Savikko Park open whenever possible during the summer months to accommodate dog walkers, families, and other Douglas residents who use the park facilities. Beth added that janitorial services for CBJ public bathrooms are funded with cruise ship tax dollars and experienced a reduction this last year due to fewer cruise ship passengers, resulting in fewer dollars for many services funded with cruise ship tax dollars, including public restroom services. CBJ is aware of and discussing this gap. Ed, Joyce, and Mary Kay will gather information for drafting a letter to the Assembly outlining DAB’s recommendations about the Savikko bathrooms, for review and approval by DAB members, including any advocacy efforts needed.

VI. New Business

- **Future Meetings.** Beth clarified CBJ is recommending boards choose either to continue by Zoom or to meet in person (with telephonic participation), but is

requesting boards not adopt a hybrid of Zoom and in-person meetings. After discussion, without objection, DAB members agreed to continue meeting by Zoom for now and revisit in-person meetings at a future meeting.

VII. Reports

- **Treadwell Historical Society** (Joyce). No update.
- **Douglas 4th of July Committee** (Joyce). The committee meets weekly, planning for the 2021 in-person event in Douglas, including many traditional activities, parade, raffle, vendors, live music, food. etc. The Methodist church will provide a modified menu. Restrooms at the church and Douglas Library will not be open to the public, but CBJ is providing port-a-potties in multiple Douglas locations.
- **Juneau Area Plans/Steering Committee** (Joyce). The group has created focus areas to address sections of Douglas between the bridge and Savikko) and is inviting public input. The group is developing a vision and planning for the next 20 years.
- **Docks & Harbors** (Summer). No update.
- **Planning Commission/Community Development** (John). No update.
- **Lands & Resources** (Mary Kay). No update.
- **CBJ Assembly**. Beth reported that the budget passed by the Assembly offered a lower mill rate, a benefit to CBJ property owners.
- **Parks & Rec** (Troy). No update.
- **Treadwell Ditch Trail Renovation Project** (Ed). The trail improvement project continues, with some re-routing needed to improve navigation for both hikers and mountain bike users.
- **Eaglecrest Ski Area** (Teri). No update. Dave Scanlan, ski area manager, will let us know when they're ready to present to DAB about off-season activities.
- **North Douglas/Second Crossing** (Teri). An MOU between CBJ and the state has been signed for pre-feasibility efforts, including the recruitment of a consultant to help with the process.

VIII. Public Participation on agenda items. None.

IX. Comments/Questions/Announcements from DAB Members. None.

X. Adjournment: 6:58pm

Next meeting: Wednesday, July 21, at 5:30pm