

Douglas Advisory Board (DAB)
September 9, 2020 – APPROVED MINUTES

Call to order: 5:30pm

Members present: Norton Gregory (chair), Teri Tibbett (secretary), Joyce Vick, Mary Kay Pusich, John Delgado, Troy Wuyts-Smith.

Others present: Unidentified caller.

I. Approval of Agenda: Approved, as amended.

II. Approval of Minutes 10/9/19 and 2/13/20. Approved.

III. Public Participation. Diane Cathcart, deputy city clerk, requested that approved minutes, annual report, and next month's agenda be sent to her for posting when ready.

IV. Old Business:

- **Eaglecrest Expansion.** Teri gave overview of her conversation with ski area manager, Dave Scanlan, regarding the current status of the Eaglecrest expansion plan. The COVID public health emergency has impacted many aspects of CBJ planning, including the Eaglecrest expansion project. Dave requested an opportunity to present the revised plan to DAB, possibly at the October DAB meeting. No letter of support is requested currently, but may be requested after the revised plan is presented. [Teri will contact Dave for a time to present to the board.](#)
- **Douglas Island Welcome Sign at the Roundabout.** The board discussed inviting former board member Marcheta Moulton, who works for DOTPF, to inform board members of previous planning efforts and potential steps for moving forward. [Teri will reach out to her about her availability.](#)
- **Bathrooms at Treadwell Arena/Savikko Park.** The bathrooms appear to be open during events, though Mary Kay reported an occasion where they were not. Board members will continue to monitor on an individual level. This item will move under "Reports" on future agendas.
- **Communication between DAB and CBJ.** It was proposed that DAB members share the responsibility of monitoring CBJ actions and planning activities related to Douglas Island, via websites, attending meetings, or reviewing minutes and agendas. [Teri volunteered to prepare a list of pertinent departments, commissions, committees, task forces, with contact information, for distribution to DAB members. Members agreed to divide up responsibility for regularly reviewing these activities, at the October meeting.](#)
- **Communication with Douglas Residents.** DAB members agreed to follow-through with plans previously made to proactively reach out to Douglas Island residents for announcement of meetings, agendas, and other DAB news. [1\) Teri and John will design DAB flyer for review by DAB members at October meeting, followed by approval of CBJ clerk; 2\) Teri will post DAB announcements on Bonnie Brae Facebook group and North Douglas Neighborhood group; 3\) John will post on Friends of Douglas Alaska Facebook page; 4\) Joyce will post on Community Concerns, Douglas Island Chatter, and I Live in Douglas. 5\) All members will post the DAB flyer around Douglass when it is ready.](#)
- **Treadwell Society.** This item will be moved under "Reports" in future agendas.

- **Douglas Harbor Improvements.** This item will be moved under “Reports” in future agendas.
- **Douglas Island Cemeteries.** Teri reported that the title search is mostly completed, and that the effort is currently under the CBJ legal department—as the next steps require legal action. However, the expanded workload of the legal department due to COVID-related activities has forced the cemetery issue to be paused for the time being. DAB will continue to monitor progress.

V. New Business:

- **Second Bridge Crossing in North Douglas.** Money was allocated in 2018 for a Second Crossing Planning and Environmental Study. CBJ is now undertaking that effort. This item will be moved under “Reports” in future agendas.
- **Treadwell Ditch Trail Improvements.** Norton reported \$750,000 was allocated by CBJ, with a community match from the Juneau Community Foundation for trail improvements along the Treadwell Ditch Trail. There is an effort to obtain another \$250,000 as there is still a lot of work to do. This item will move under “Reports” in future agendas.
- **Approval of 2019 DAB Annual Report.** Joyce moved to approve the draft 2019 DAB Annual Report, which hadn’t been approved earlier due to a pause caused by the pandemic. The report was approved without objection.
- **Reports.** In order to follow CBJ required protocols, DAB will add a “Reports” segment to the monthly agenda that will cover any reporting from outside groups or planning committees. Items recommended to regularly appear under “Reports” will include Treadwell Society updates, Douglas 4th of July Committee updates, CBJ Planning and Lands activities (Community Development, Lands & Resources, Juneau Area Plans, Second Crossing, Docks & Harbors, Parks & Rec/Eaglecrest, Treadwell Ditch Trail improvements, etc.), and activities of the CBJ Borough Assembly. NOTE: Ongoing discussions or activities undertaken by DAB members will remain under “Unfinished Business,” and new or proposed activities and discussion items will appear under “New Business” in the agenda.

VI. Announcements.

- **Farewell to Norton.** Members acknowledged Norton’s departure from the board after this meeting and thanked him for his contributions over the past year.
- **Welcome to Troy.** Members welcomed Troy to the DAB board, followed by brief introductions of each of the members.
- **October DAB Meeting.** Future DAB meetings will continue to be conducted via Zoom, arranged by CBJ clerk’s office, until further notice. The group scheduled the next DAB meeting for its regular meeting time, the second Wednesday of October (October 14) at 5:30pm. It was agreed that, as secretary, Teri will chair the beginning of the October meeting until a chair is elected/appointed, according to CBJ protocols, which requires elections after new appointments at the end of September. [Teri will send out an agenda in advance of the meeting.](#)

VI. Adjournment: 6:57pm