

Port Ludlow Drainage District

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Minutes of the 96th Regularly Scheduled Meeting
10:00 a.m., 14 September 2006

Call to order and Approval of Minutes:

The 96th regularly scheduled meeting of the Port Ludlow Drainage District (PLDD) was called to order by the Commissioner Chairman Richard Regan with the first order of business being approval of the minutes of the regular 10 August 2006 meeting. The minutes were approved as written.

Expenses:

The PLDD Commissioners discussed and approved Drainage District expenses that have accrued from 10 August to 14 September 2006 for the total amount of \$ 7,086.18. A breakdown of this total is shown below:

Voucher Number	Amount	Item Description
06-051	2,545.00	WASH. GOV. ENTITY POOL
06-052	4,010.27	GRAY & OSBORNE
06-053	163.30	THE LEADER
06-054	167.61	OLGA WILSON
06-055	200.00	VIRGINIA BROWN

Public Forum:

Denis and Anita Weakley, 81 Condon Lane, expressed their concerns with a recent bank loss at their waterfront property. There is a drainage pipe between their property and Condon Lane lot # 27. They are afraid the drainage is causing erosion. The pipe has been partially inspected. Extension of the original pipe with a smaller pipe made TV inspection of the whole pipe impossible. The Weakleys are concerned with the bank erosion occurring to the north of the pipe. The Weakleys brought in pictures showing the signs of erosion. Mr. Baker, who has visited the site this summer, stated that although the pipe might be a contributing factor, it is not the main cause of the bank erosion north of the outfall. Bank erosion is a natural phenomenon, which cannot be stopped. Bank erosion does not have direct correlation to the wet season. There is no water in the pipe at this time. The Weakleys are asking PLDD to extend the pipe to the beach as they have done at the Libby's Court outfall. Mr. Baker recommended bringing in a geotech before going any further. If there is a pipe extension project, the pipe will have to be replaced all the way from Condon Lane to the beach. Mr. Baker will put together a proposal for the costs associated with consulting a geotech. If drainage is determined to be the problem, the PLDD will have to address it. Natural erosion caused by wave action cannot be stopped. The geotech will look at all outfalls within the PLDD. Mr.

Amundson made a motion to direct Mr. Baker to hire a geotech to determine the cause of the bluff erosion. This motion was duly seconded and carried.

Old Business:

1. Discussions were held pertaining to the failure of the system installed on the beach at the Libby Court outfall. Seton Construction of Port Townsend was given a notice to proceed with repairs. They should mobilize within two weeks. Mr. Baker reported submitting repair cost estimate to the insurance company. The insurance company has agreed to pay for the repairs. The PLDD needs to be filled out a proof of loss paper to complete the insurance claim paperwork. The project is estimated to cost a little over \$9000.
2. Commissioner Regan inquired to the recent greenbelt tree removal by the Oak Bay Road Conveyance Repair Project area. The debris is getting piled up in the drainage area. Per Mr. Nelson, this tree removal has been approved, and should be cleared out within a few weeks.
3. Mr. Baker reported Olympic Excavation ready to start on the Olympic Lane Drainage Improvement Project on Monday following this meeting. The neighbors were notified. Mr. Baker has walked the project area with the contractor. The project was shortened by half the lot to avoid removal of large trees. The Torress had extended with a smaller pipe to connect into a catch basin that will be installed at the corner of their property. Mr. Baker will be checking on the progress of this project.
4. Mr. Baker gave the commissioners an update on the Foster Lane project. The project has been advertised. There were no bids. Mr. Baker brought over the arborist, hired to assess the spruce tree at the intersection of Oak Bay Road and Baldwin Lane, to assess the potential impact on the large trees in the galley. Mrs. Mount attended this meeting to personally express her concerns with this project. Mr. Baker believes that residents concerns with losing those trees are valid, as the survey used to design this project did not truly reflect the steepness of the slope. Mr. Baker stated that the pipe would have to be realigned away from the trees. There is a pipe on lot # 62. However, adding water to that pipe will require taking extensive measures to stabilize the bank as more trees may be lost if that route is chosen. This option is not feasible financially. Mr. Baker will do another review. The improvements are necessary to control current uncontrolled discharge of public water on private lots # 59 and 60.

Mr. Regan received a SEPA checklist for this project. Mr. Baker explained that nothing needed to be filed with SEPA at this time.

The commissioners discussed taking a more regional approach. Treasurer Amundson expressed his concerns with project funding if it becomes regional. The commissioners decided to wait for Mr. Baker's recommendations before discussion project financing with the county.

New Business:

1. Mr. Regan gave Mr. Baker a notice of September 22 hearing on a Trendwest development application and amendment to the development agreement application. Barbara Nightingale from Community Development Department briefly discussed the applications that will be considered at the hearing. The commissioners decided to send Mr. Baker to testify at the hearing. The commissioners are concerned with the design of the Trendwest Development drainage system. Mr. Barry will take a look at the staff report to prepare comments.
2. Ms. Nightingale explained that the amendment to the development code filed by the PLDD was processed with other development code amendment applications and sent to the planing commissioner for review and recommendations.
3. Mr. Amundson reported receiving a complaint from Ron Gregory, McCurdy Lane resident, regarding drainage off the Pioneer Drive lot # 2-3-122. Mr. Gregory believes the drainage has not been completed. Mr. Regan explained that since no easement agreement could have been achieved with the downhill neighbors, the property owner had to install a dispersion system. The drainage for this new construction, therefore, was completed as designed and approved, inspected, and accepted by the county. PLDD is not taking any further action in this matter.
4. Mr. Baker brought in an arborist's report pertaining to the health of the spruce tree on the corner of the Oak Bay Road and Baldwin Lane. The arborist recommends removal of the tree. Although it is not a structural hazard at this time, the tree is in decline due to the lack of moisture. It may take another twenty years for this tree to become a hazard. PLDD appears to have caused the tree's condition by cutting off its water supply while rerouting the drainage runoff. PLDD commissioners asked GBC to check on tree removal costs from several tree removal services.
5. With regards to a reported drainage problem at 101 Fleet Drive, Mr. Baker reported the area being too flat to determine the grade of the ditch without a survey. The ditch is in the greenbelt. The standing water in the ditch was not caused by PLDD actions. Mr. Baker's written report will be sent to the GBC and the property owner who reported the problem.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Port Ludlow Drainage District will be held on 12 October 2006 at 10:00 a.m. at the Beach Club Bay View Room.

The 14 September 2006 meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Approved:

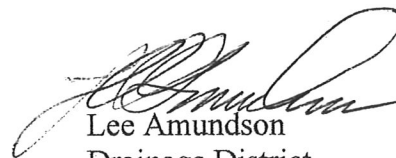
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