

**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JOINT MEETING WITH SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
June 18, 2012 5:30 pm**

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Stephen H. Buxbaum, Mayor Pro Tem Nathaniel Jones, Councilmembers Steve Langer, Karen Rogers, Julie Hankins, Jeannine Roe, and Jim Cooper, Squaxin Island Tribal members Ray Peters, Pete Kruger, Lil Kruger, Don Whitener, and Debbie Whitener

2012 SQUAXIN CANOE LANDING UPDATE

Debbie Whitener with the Squaxin Island Tribe provided an overview of the logistics and planning efforts to-date. She stated that all of the logistics are in place and that they appreciate the support they have received from the City, Port, and County.

They have been working with Dr. Yu, Thurston County, to set up the medical tent. They are still working on the location for the greeting platform. She also mentioned that KGY has dedicated their AM station for the day to broadcast the day's activities.

Cathie Butler shared the latest draft map showing parking locations and shuttle routes. It will be used for all of the printed materials and the website.

Mayor Buxbaum asked if the Famer's Market and Percival Landing bathrooms could be shown on the map.

Councilmember Cooper also asked if the maps could have a message at the bottom stating that it is a drug and alcohol free event.

Ms. Whitener said they had briefed the Navy and they will be providing crews to aid in pulling the canoes out of the water.

SQUAXIN/CITY AGREEMENT

Steve Hall circulated the latest version of the Accord between the Squaxin Island Tribe and the City of Olympia. He stated that it will be scheduled for approval with the City Council in July. Mayor Buxbaum asked if the tribe would host a signing ceremony, which the tribe agreed to.

WEST BAY ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND PLANNING EFFORTS

Linda Oestreich provided an overview and update on the West Bay planning efforts, which includes the 17 acre West Bay site and the railroad corridor. The City is beginning a Master Planning Process which will include determining tribal interests moving forward. The plan will look for restoration opportunities along the entire shoreline. The process will entail studying the environment and science of the area.

Steve Hall mentioned that the preliminary design and environmental studies will be included in the City's Six Year Transportation Improvement Program so that it will be eligible for grant funding.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Buxbaum thanked the tribe for coming and for their partnership.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.