

Waterfront Organizations of Oregon Digest of June 14, 2016

Treasurer's Report-Stan Tonneson: Beginning balance \$7449.07, ending balance: \$7526.95.

Sheriff's office – Sgt. Mark Herron: **Fleet Week** was very busy and uneventful with good planning between 12 agencies. Power boat transits went well and paddle craft had their own Lane to transit by the Navy ships at their own pace. One person tried to commit suicide off the **Burnside Bridge** but was recovered as soon as they hit the water. Good communications with the Navy got them to depart bunched up rather than spread out over the morning commute.

The River Patrol contract at **Riverplace Marina** funding is in place with the details still being worked out. **Clark County River Patrol** will not be around much this year account funding shortages; this caused Multnomah County River Patrol to respond to a Washington side submerged boat with 4 children clinging to it instead of Clark County. **Columbia County** is checking boats on the entire Multnomah Channel.

In **Zone 2 Marquam Bridge to Holgate Island** 13 derelict boat contacts are made and people were given 25 days to move 5 miles or face civil penalties. 10 of the 13 contacts have challenged the notice and filed paperwork. The **civil hearings** will be a proof of concept in the State Court system. Derelict boats needing removal will have contractors bidding on the removal. Most of these boats are found not registered; those who profess to be boaters are held accountable to the State rules, but mostly they are homeless folk and since the long term goal is to get them off the River and into housing they are not fined but started down the path to help.

North Portland Harbor is just littered with derelict boats with some people arrested for stealing dredge batteries and chargers.

Government - Jeff Ingebrigtsen reports an editorial in the **Oregonian** about too many emergency clauses bills going into effect. An initiative petition, # 49, the so-called "No More Fake Emergency Clauses" would make it tougher for lawmakers to stick emergency clauses routinely on bills should make the November ballot.

New Business: The Superfund Site meetings about the proposed \$76 million to be used over 7 years to clean up on the Willamette River will be held at the following locations and times.

- June 24, 11:30am-8pm, City of Portland Building, 1120 SW 5th Ave,
- June 29, 11:30am-8pm, Portland Metropolitan Building (EXPO), 2060 N Marine Dr
- July 11, 11:30am-8pm, University Place Conference Center, 310 SW Lincoln St
- July 10, 11:30am-8pm, Ambridge Center, 1333 NE Martin Luther King Blvd

Storm Water Task Force- Sam Galbreath reports the committee is gone inactive. However he encourages the moorages to challenge the numbers that the city is putting up as they have re-measured and found errors of up to 40%. Roof tops should only be counted for impervious centers not docks and other surfaces.

Next WOOO Meeting- September 13 at Tyee Yacht Club.

Respectively submitted, J. M. Zweerts