

JANTZEN BEACH MOORAGE, INC.

2018

Candidate Statement

Candidate Name: Jan (Yan) Zweerts

Certificate Number: 1859

Position of Interest: President

1. What do you see it is the duty of a board member?

A board member should be a good example, a good listener and be able to judge the best course of action for the overall good of the moorage. The president will set the tone of governing.

2. What experience and qualifications can you bring to this position?

I moved here from Iowa and the Mississippi River Valley in 1996 three years after the Flood of 1993 and love homes that rise and fall with the water rather than homes were the water rises and falls inside. Over the years I have enjoyed sailing, canoeing, kayaking and using my skills to read the wind and water. As a retired locomotive engineer I am used to dealing with the physics of large heavy objects in motion and am an avid reader and collector of art, books on railroads, bridges, geology, earth movements, history, sea tales, science fiction plus anything else that looks interesting. Boards I have served on include the GRP a community theater in Iowa, S/T of BLET 416, WOOO secretary and am currently the Supt. of Operations at the Willamette Shore Trolley training motormen to run 25-ton street cars. I know how to research and find information and adapt for my own use. I have done my own re-decking of my home and floats but leave specialized work to experts.

3. How have you been involved and what have you contributed to JBMI?

Served for 4 years on the JBMI Board of Directors until railroad work demands halted that. While on the BOD I was involved with the day-to-day business of JBMI and helped solve a home spacing dilemma on C Row using scale models. Been mentored by several longtime River dwellers about riparian rights, history of Hayden Island, Department of State Lands and river hydraulics. I have a track inspectors eye and call in trouble spots I find in our moorage.

4. How long have you lived in the mortgage?

My wife of 33 years, Rae and I have enjoyed living at Jantzen Beach Moorage for 18 years now and hope for many more.

5. Comments: River knowledge needs to be passed on to new generations. Would you like to know how to fish for lost tools, tie off a house? Would JBMI members be interested in: a self-administrated way to do the toilet dye test; better preventive maintenance of JBMI infrastructure; a more robust emergency fund to help us weather the foreseen but unplanned events that will occur? I believe SAFE is not the same as PRETTY and am not trying to maximize the worth of my home for the real estate agents and county tax assessor. I encourage everyone; members, absentee owners and renters to become more involved in our quality of life issues and to learn how to protect your homes from the ravages of nature and mankind.