

Lagoon Point Newsletter

December 2007

Board meetings: The LPCA Board meets Tuesday evenings. LPCA members are welcome to attend all board meetings.

Next board meetings will be: **January 8** (7 PM at Aaron Lowin's home), **January 15** (6:30 PM at Greenbank Clubhouse), **February 5** (7 PM at Aaron Lowin's home), **February 12** (6:30 PM at Greenbank Clubhouse)

From the President – Linda Armstrong

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

This will be a brief newsletter. Mainly I want to let you know that the membership has approved the assessment the board proposed to pay for dredging Lot C. You will find the vote count on the next page.

In developing the assessment proposal and our preliminary dredging plans the entire board has benefitted by listening to many of you and coming to appreciate your diverse views of what to do about Lot C and how to pay for it. Key to our successful process so far has been respecting divergent views and our neighbors who hold those views. Its been a difficult but constructive exercise. I ask that you continue to support the board as it moves forward on this project.

This will be my last newsletter as LPCA president. I've worked with Bill Brown, the incoming president, and without reservation I believe you could not have chosen a better person to lead the board forward. Please give Bill the same high level of support you've given me these last three years.

Best wishes to all for the holiday season and for the (brrr) winter ahead.

Linda Armstrong, LPCA President

Community approves assessment for dredging Lot C

Ballots were counted Friday evening, December 14th. Volunteering to help count ballots were: Karen Edelblute, Janet Bondelid, Bill Brown, Bob Vierra, Mike Stevens, Hedy Courret, and Aaron Lowin. Voters' names were separated from the ballots, and ballots were counted anonymously.

The proposed assessment of \$100 per lot per year was approved by some 61 percent of the 287 lots that voted. The vote counts were as follows.

Division	Yes	No	Total	% Yes
1	61.5	108.4	169.9	36.2 %
2-3-4	113	4	117	96.6 %
All	174.5	112.4	286.9	60.8 %

2008 Board members – Aaron Lowin

Counting the dredging assessment ballots and then recounting and rechecking the ballots took a good deal of time. The ballot-counters decided to put off counting the 2008 Board ballots.

As all candidates were running unopposed, they were all elected. The members of the 2008 LPCA Board are shown below. We will report the 2008 Board vote counts in the next newsletter.

Your 2008 Board members are:

President	Bill Brown	222-3178	bbrown99@whidbey.com
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Treasurer	Karen Edelblute	678-6151	kedelblute@whidbey.com
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Area 6 Rep	Janet Bondelid	222-3182	jsbond@whidbey.com

Aerial photos of Lagoon Pt available on the web

A series of June '06 aerial photos of the Lagoon Point coastline along with some older photos are available on the Washington State Dep't of Ecology Coastal Atlas website. The Lagoon Pt pages are at: https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/coastalatlaphoto/PhotoDisplay.aspx?vintage=2006&id=060629_06148 ... thru _06161 .

The older aerial photos are from the 1940s (1 photo), 1977 (3 photos), and two series, 1992-97, and 2000-02. To zoom in, select 'hi resolution'.

The start page for the entire Coastal Atlas is: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/coastalatlaviewer.htm>

Dredging update – Aaron Lowin

Preparing our Sediment Analysis Plan (SAP) We just received for our review the draft Sediment Analysis Plan (SAP) that we will soon submit for approval by the several agencies that control disposing of marine sediment. It's like this: Dredging requires we dispose of the spoils, and to dispose of spoils you have to get permission, and to get permission you have to sample the spoils and test them in a lab for grain size, composition (what's in the spoils) and contaminants. (Given the history of Lagoon Point we expect no contaminants.) But before you dig even a spoonful, you have to get approval for your sediment analysis plan, which describes the proposed dredging project, identifies the specific locations for taking the samples, the specific analyses to be done, etc. When our 'SAP' is approved we will move forward to do the actual sediment sampling and then the lab work.

The SAP is being prepared for us by our permitting consulting firm, Grette Associates, and their engineering contractor, Dalton, Olmsted & Fuglevand The SAP incorporates the dredging design developed by Jim Johannessen (Coastal Geologic Services).

'Neighbors'

Jack Randall We will miss Jack Randall, who lost his valiant battle with cancer on October 22nd. Jack had retired from the Seattle Fire Dept. in 1994 after 25 years of dedicated service. Jack and Marilyn then moved to their permanent home on Oceanside Dr. enjoying their life at Lagoon Point and on Whidbey Island very much. Jack will be missed by his neighbors and I personally will miss watching Jack tend to his beautiful gardens. - Suzanne Hoel

Don Smith Our good friend and neighbor, Don Smith led not only a good and long life, but also a very productive and humanitarian one as well. He proudly served his country during World War II, he and Maggie raised a wonderful family, and Don left his mark upon the world in a manner that many of us take for granted each day.

Don was educated and well experienced in the field of providing the one vital thing that none of us can do without; WATER. Thousands, if not several millions of people unknowingly owe Don a sincere Thank You every time they turn on a faucet and take a drink of clean, safe, life-giving water. He worked in many areas of our world during his professional career, designing and building fresh water distribution systems.

After a working lifetime in his career field, Don retired to this little bit of paradise on earth named Whidbey Island. With water still in his veins, Don served his own community for at least 10 years as a commissioner in the Lagoon Point Water District. We, the other water commissioners, relied extensively on Don and his years of knowledge and experience in order to help us to provide the cleanest, least expensive, and best tasting water anywhere on Whidbey Island to the approximately 1000 or more fortunate souls who live here full and part time.

Don can now enjoy an eternal peace and comfort. He has certainly earned it.

Thanks, Don, from the commissioners and staff of the Lagoon Point Water District
- Jim Hoel, Commissioner.

If you have a worthy news item, jot it down and pass it to your area rep (names and contact info elsewhere in this newsletter) or direct to the newsletter editor.

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