

**May 2 2022 - VMICC Executive Board Meeting  
Minutes**

**Attending:**

**Board:** David Vogel, Diane Emerson, Nick Simmons, Kyle Britz, Michaella Olavarri, Rachel Rome, Gavin Kovite, Hunter Davis

**Guests:**

Kevin Jones (Equity Committee Chair), Morgan Brown (Affordable Housing Committee Chair)

**7:30** Intro - Minutes from last council meeting approved w/o edits.

**7:35** Quick discussion of last council meeting. Attendance was down a bit, but meeting went smoothly. Next council meeting might be more heavily attended, esp w/r/t fireworks issues.

**7:40** Question from Hunter - how should we do recaps of emails that have come in?  
(Prospective answer - Gavin and Diane will give a quick recap of email comms at beginning of council meetings)

**7:42** - Timing and Steps for dissolution...also, who gets the extra funds from the dissolution of the council? Community Land Trust? Vashon Housing?

**7:42** Insurance update for board members - John is traveling right now - if board members haven't reimbursed him yet, they could do that, or also donate to the new orgs.

**Committee Updates:**

**7:45 - Affordable Housing Committee** (Morgan Brown) Vashon Household (VH) has a new exec director (Jason Johnson) (former head of Human Svcs for Seattle). VH trying to reinvent themselves as the face of affordable housing on the island. Morgan trying to draw in Vashon Land Trust - thinks they could really work well together. Had a stimulating discussion at the last Affordable Housing Committee meeting. Discussion about water - Morgan says he's trying to put to rest the notion that there's not enough water on the island--there is. A lot of housing has been stopped because of the idea that there's not enough water, but (says Morgan), this is wrong.

Morgan went to Yimby Town (housing conference) - motivating discussion, esp. w/r/t zoning / parking reform.

**7:55 Communications Committee** (Michaella Olavarri) Mica will continue to post - the fireworks thing should probably increase engagement for the next council meeting.

**7:57 Equity Committee** (Kevin Jones). Rachel Rome (Board Liaison) will take the lead on drafting the charter outlining the committee's authority, as outlined in VMICC policies. "The

Board, in conjunction with each committee, should develop and regularly update a charter outlining the committee's authority."

Next meeting is on Wednesday this week. Election of officers will be the focus of the meeting. Lots of engagement has been happening w/r/t what should be our equity focus. Should it even be renamed? The Beachcomber article that Terry Sullivan wrote was good for engagement - the word is getting out through the community.

**8:00 Ferry Advisory Committee** (Rachel Rome) Confirmed (for now) per the FAC executive committee - FAC members should not discuss anything with each other outside public meetings. For this reason...Rachel doesn't have any update from Justin. The FAC will probably meet no more frequently than once per month. Feedback from VMICC on the Fauntleroy Ferry Terminal Challenges to Lizzie Buechel LBuechel@prrbiz.com Justin Hirsch was going to be asked to prepare a statement from VMICC that the community could vote on. Where are we with this?

**8:03 Shellfish Farming** - David will try to get a speaker on shellfish farming rules for the May meeting - this will be a big thing as the season heats up.

**8:06** Discussion on agenda for May meeting. Of special interest - we'll be doing an advisory vote on the Bylaws for the new org. Once we get feedback in the council meeting and online (advisory only), the Board will adopt new bylaws and standing rules

**8:16** Meeting Adjourned

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**NEW ORGANIZATION (501(c)(4) AKA "The Reboot" MEETING - 8:16**

**8:16** Articles of Incorporation - we don't *need* to meet on May 6th, but we will meet as a board in person to talk / socialize.

**8:19** We should have a discussion about bylaws - anything major that we as a board should hash out? Issues discussed:

- Select edits to section II (Focus)
- Procedures in the event of a tie vote of the board
- Committee and Advisory Committee procedures.

**8:52** Board has reached consensus - this is the version of the Bylaws that we'll send to the Council for the advisory vote.

**8:54** Discussion of staffing a VMICC booth at the Strawberry Fest - Gavin, David, Mica expressed interest in helping out with this. We will plan on having a booth - more details to follow.

**8:56** Meeting adjourned.