

**SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT
PORTS MONITORS (POMO) COMMITTEE**

May 7, 2025

MEETING NOTES OF THE PORTS MONITORS (POMO) COMMITTEE HELD IN THE CEDAR ROOM AT THE SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT OFFICE AT 1975 FIELD ROAD, SECHELT, BC

PRESENT:	POMO Committee Member (Eastbourne)	Trish Cowley
	POMO Committee Member (Gambier Harbour)	Bruce Pollock (Chair)
	POMO Committee Member (Halkett Bay)	Rob Cocquyt
	POMO Committee Member (Hopkins Landing)	John Rogers
	POMO Committee Member (Keats Landing)	John Richardson
	POMO Committee Member (Vaucroft)	Nicholas Demco
ALSO PRESENT:	SCRD Director, Electoral Area F	K. Stamford (Liaison)
	SCRD GM, Community Services	S. Gagnon
	SCRD Capital Projects, Marine Infrastructure	K. Lafortune
	SCRD Administrative Assistant/Recorder	A. Adam
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REGRETS:	POMO Committee Member (Halfmoon Bay)	Rod Smith
	POMO Committee Member (Port Graves)	Andrew Kennedy
	POMO Committee Member (West Bay)	Eric Berger

CALL TO ORDER 2:01 p.m.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

It was acknowledged that the Ports Monitors (POMO) Committee meeting was held within the traditional territory of the shíshálh and Skwxwú7mesh Nations.

ELECTION OF CHAIR

Bruce Pollock, POMO representative for Gambier Harbour, was elected the Chair of the Ports Monitors Committee for 2025.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Roundtable introductions of Ports Monitors (POMO) Committee members, Elected Official Liaisons, and SCRD staff members in attendance.

AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as presented.

MEETING NOTES

The Ports Monitors (POMO) Committee Meeting Notes of December 10, 2024 were received and accepted as presented.

PORTS DIVISION UPDATE

The General Manager, Community Services reviewed the staff report included in the meeting agenda package as Annex B.

Discussion included:

- Welcome to Kyn Lafortune to the role of Capital Project Coordinator, Marine Infrastructure effective March 31, 2025.
- Ports Capital Projects update:
 - Hopkins Landing renovation to start this fall. The Board has approved a new float, which is not in scope for the dock project. The float will be a separate project and may not align with the dock reopening.
 - Keats Landing project is going to tender for construction soon with work anticipated to start in the fall.
 - The 4 projects (Eastbourne, Gambier Harbour, West Bay, Halkett Bay) are still on hold, and will be reviewed and prioritized based on capacity.
- Summerhill is currently working on spring inspections, minor maintenance and previously ordered work.

PORTS MONITORS COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Two POMO members (Andrew Kennedy and John Rogers) terms expire before the next meeting. Both Andrew Kennedy and John Rogers agreed to allow their names to stand for another term.

Staff will bring a report to the Board for re-appointment of Andrew Kennedy and John Rogers to the POMO Committee for an additional two-year term.

ROUNDTABLE

Kate-Lousie Stamford, SCRD Director, Electoral Area F

- A resident reached out about West Bay repairs. This has been previously reported to the SCRD.

Bruce Pollock, POMO Committee Member (Gambier Harbour)

- Storm damage this winter. This has been previously reported to the SCRD.
- New Brighton Dock structure – aware this topic is under discussion.

Nicholas Demco, POMO Committee Member (Vaucroft)

- A cleat is missing. This has been previously reported to the SCRD.

Trish Cowley, POMO Committee Member (Eastbourne)

- Report of recent damage of the float not being in place making the ramp hard to use and compromised boat parking on one side, plus damage sustained over the winter. This has been previously reported to the SCRD.

John Richardson, POMO Committee Member (Keats Landing)

- The new ramp when at low tide is very steep and a challenge to navigate for some community members. This topic was raised for awareness when designing the new float for Hopkins Landing.
- The community looks forward to the cement barricades being removed and having full access to the dock again after repairs are completed.

John Rogers, POMO Committee Member (Hopkins Landing)

- Locals are still accessing the dock even after SCRD secures the site.
- Raised concern about comments made that not everyone is in favor of Hopkins Docks repair costs.
- In preparation for constructions, revisited the mooring blocks and if the need to contact residents is required in advance of the project commencing.

The SCRD Ports Division reported that more information on the construction project will be soon and will be shared on the Let's Talk page. If the mooring blocks will impact construction, the project manager will be in touch with the POMO representative to help inform the community.

Rob Cocquyt, POMO Committee Member (Halkett Bay)

- Many wear strips need replacement and there is a sign broken off. This has been previously reported to the SCRD.

Shelley Gagnon, General Manager, Community Services

- Appreciative of POMO members reaching out with concerns or repair requests as it helps staff to action items, when required, in-between bi-annual site inspections.
- A site visit to the Ports will be planned for the Capital Projects Coordinator, Marine Infrastructure, as part of their role. Chair Pollock and Representative Cowley offered to assist with logistics on Gambier and Keats Island.

NEXT MEETING December 2025

ADJOURNMENT 2:44 p.m.