**LWVSJ Observer Corps Friday Harbor Port Commission October 12, 2022**

The County Manager provided an overview of the proposed road levy including culvert, **marine facilities,** and enhanced shoulders. Rise water levels are impacting roads and marine facilities. The County agreed to share information on the **scientific evaluation of rising water impact** on near shore facilities with the Port.

The Commissioners authorized the **purchase of a boom lift,** which is expected to pay for itself in rental savings in about two years.

The Commissioners agreed the Port should continue to move forward with the **Shipyard Cove expansion** of 40 new slips. Without expansion, the cost of a needed breakwater will be absorbed entirely by the Port; with the expansion it will be **self-funding** and then some. Expected 3-5 years for permit process and construction.

**Needed parts for repair at Shipyard Cove and Jensen’s** have arrived or been shipped so repairs should underway shortly. **Hangar construction** is now at **roofing** phase. **Taxiway tender** is awaiting FAA approval. The port is scoping out **proposed 2023 projects** to submit to FAA. In a **solar** update, they are completing an **energy audit in early 2023** and will use the use to apply for **FAA grant funding,** with a fall back to Opalco low-interest financing.

They have received good feedback on the new **recycling center** and will be improving the signage.

**Staffing:** Losing two staff members while they need to expand manufacturing staff; this remains very **challenging.**