



**Government Affairs Committee October 13, 2022**

**10:30 AM – 11:35 AM**

**Call to Order Neil Falkenburg – Chair Jay Jennings – NMTA Staff**

**Approve Minutes**

**Introductions**

- Lobbying team updates Carl Burke, Roman Daniels-Brown, Jay Jennings, Max Martin

**Marina & Boatyard Conference** – Brief discussion of conference. Neil shared congratulations for a great conference.

**Political Action Committee Distributions:**

- Jay shared that NMTA Political Action Contributions were made to: Senator Rofles, Representatives Barkis & Dye.
- Jay shared that we plan to make contributions to candidates in the 36<sup>th</sup> Legislative District (North Seattle/Ballard/Wallingford)
- Jay solicited input on PAC decisions and shared that this may not be the cycle to spend heavily, based on the August Primary Election.

Neil Falkenburg  
Hoby Douglass  
Bob Wise  
Doug Dixon  
Troy Buck  
Monique Weber  
Doug Levy  
Roman Daniels-Brown  
Carl Burke  
Max Martin  
Jay Jennings

**2023 Legislative Session Issues of Concern –**

Jay went through the top-line on each of these issues. Committee discussion ensued.

Hoby stressed the addition of focus to the West Lake Ave SDOT plan to reduce car-lanes to two, leaving the remaining two for buses. Additionally, there is a proposed apartment complex along Westlake which will add traffic and displace even more parking. Hoby will provide more information and work with NSIA and NMTA to offer opposition to this move.

The committee spend a bit of time discussing the implications and context with each issue as well as ideas on how to prioritize. Doug Levy shared comments on issues and where we are working closely with RBAW, along with RBAW’s narrowing legislative agenda.

Tow sport regulations	Watercraft Excise Tax (levels & depreciation impacts)
Speed regulations	Ergonomics restrictions
Invasive species	Unemployment Insurance tax
Urban crime and safety	Emissions and carbon regulations

DFDW Commissioners

Storm/waste water permitting

Compulsory pilotage

Sound Transit expansion

Product liability (stewardship)

Anti-fouling paint evaluations

Clean Marina Program rebuild

DNR, WDFW, Ecology Budgets

SKRW protection proposals

Salmon Restoration

Pump-out infrastructure grants

Derelict Vessel Program/Vessel turn-in