

Port of Skamania County

Minutes of Board of Commissioners May 21, 2024

In Attendance: Commissioner Taylor, Commissioner Broughton, Commissioner Kingston, Director – Pat Albaugh, Finance Manager – Cindy Bradley, Facilities Manager – Doug Bill, Auditor – Monica Masco, Attorney – Seth Woolson (via Zoom), Minute Taker – Stephanie Goetz

Guests: Pat Rice

Call to Order: Commissioner Kingston called the meeting to order at 1700.

Public Comment: No public comment(s).

Changes to the Agenda: No Changes.

Consent Agenda: The following items were presented for Commissioners' approval. (Consent agenda items are intended to be passed by a single motion to approve all listed actions.)

1. Approval of the Minutes
 - April 16, 2024 Minutes

2. Approval of Pre-Issued General Fund Vouchers **\$ 459.38**
22128 (Checking)
Electronic Fund Transfers (EFT) 04/05/2024-10 thru 04/05/2024-10

Approval of Pre-Issued General Fund Vouchers **\$ 17,558.76**
22129 - 22130 (Checking)
Electronic Fund Transfers (EFT) 05/03/2024-01 thru 05/03/2024-05

Approval of Pre-Issued General Fund Vouchers **\$ 25,484.14**
22161 - 22170 (Checking)
Electronic Fund Transfers (EFT) 05/20/2024-01 thru 05/20/2024-04

Approval of Pre-Issued General Fund Vouchers **\$630.50**
22171 – 22182 (Checking)

--MOTION—Commissioner Taylor made a motion; Commissioner Broughton seconded the motion to approve consent agenda items 1 through 2 as presented. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner & Staff Reports

Attorney's Report: Positive report about the WPPA Conference from those that attended from his office.

Finance Manager's Report: \$13,500 in the black for the month and \$85,000 in the black for the year. Quarterly taxes and Cascades Business Park payments have been done this month. All outstanding payments are being paid as agreed. Still waiting to hear more on the American Queen Voyages bankruptcy.

Facilities Update: Remainder of dock sections have been installed. Received a maintenance request for additional ventilation at the River Point building. Beacon Rock Golf Course roof is about 98% done. We have taken possession of two surplus vehicles from the city. Two light pole bases have been installed at Cascades Business Park.

Commissioner Taylor inquired about the boat trailer parking issues over the last couple of weeks. A discussion ensued and additional action may be taken in the future.

Commission Update: Commissioner Kingston attended the WPPA Conference and delivered the welcoming address. Previously it was noted that Clark and Lewie's expressed interest in expanding to the East of their leased property. It was noted that no other communication has been had. Commissioner Kingston asked if the fellow Commissioner's point-of-view had changed on a long-term agreement with ACL. After a short discussion, it was noted that ACL has not recently provided the Port with a proposal for consideration.

Manager's Report: Beacon Rock Golf Course operator has unfortunately passed away this week. United States Army Corps of Engineers building – the Water Resources Development Act wording has passed the Senate. There are several directions that this could go. We have recently become aware that the USDOT Maritime Administration (MARAD) has a Port conveyance program specifically to transfer federal (GSA) surplus real estate to ports.

The idea of a beverage campus has been around for several years for the Cascade Business Park property. The Port of Klickitat is now building one of these. We have been approached by a successful beverage company to start discussions.

We've had an inquiry regarding holding festivals and events in Cascades Business Park.

New Business & Administrative Approvals

1. Discussion / Action – TowerCo lease buyout

TowerCo has provided a new offer to buy out the lease for the cell tower installed in North Bonneville. Currently there are 22 years left on the lease. After further discussion the Commissioners decided not to pursue the concept of the lease buyout at this time.

Adjournment - Commissioner Kingston adjourned the meeting at 1726.

APPROVED BY:

Commissioner Ray Broughton, Secretary (District 1)

Commissioner Jennifer Taylor, Vice-President (District 2)

Commissioner Todd Kingston, President (District 3)

ATTEST: _____
Stephanie Goetz, Minute Taker

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