

**Port of Skamania County
Board of Port Commissioners
First Monthly Meeting
March 14, 2000**

Attendance: Chairman of the Board of Port Commissioners Dave Meyer, Commissioner Matt Masco, Commissioner Judy Teitzel, Executive Director Anita Gahimer, Port Attorney Ken Woodrich, Port Auditor Monica Masco, Facilities Specialist Keith Chamberlain, and Administrative Assistant Deana Midland.

Call to Order: Commissioner Dave Meyer called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Matt Masco made a motion to approve the minutes as read of the meeting held on February 28, 2000. Commissioner Judy Teitzel seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Public Comment: There were no members of the public in attendance.

Treasurers Report: Port Auditor Monica Masco gave the Treasurers Report for the month of February. Monica found a mistake she made in the Approved 2000 Annual Budget. Correction of this error will take us through the supplemental budget process, which Anita will begin after we complete a first quarter review in April.

Staff Reports: Keith reported he was having some problems with the Carson Water System pump kicking off. Keith brought in two part-time people to help plant the remaining Willows. We have four responses to our RFQ for the Waterfront Improvement Project.

Deana is still working with Monica on the financials and will continue until Monica's last day. She has revised the invoices, adding the Port Logo. As other supplies are ordered, when appropriate she is adding the logo. Deana is still working on the new computer system and setting up the year 2000 files. She will be going through the filing system and revising every thing.

Executive Director's Report: Anita commented on Wind River Mines' application for a Conditional Use Permit to use a flocculent to settle mine tails from gravity extraction of metals, including gold, at their existing mill. Copies of various documents were sent to the Commissioners for their information prior to the meeting.

Anita will attend the Community Action Team meeting on the 2000 Work Plan and WA-CERT Priority List tomorrow at the EDC.

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Anita reported on a new project to bring fiber optic services to Parcel 2, as well as the Port's Stevenson facilities. The Skamania County PUD is a founding member of NOA Net, a newly formed organization of PUD's that have entered into an agreement with PBA to access the BPA fiber optic cable lines throughout the state, tying to the excess lines and providing service to their facilities. Ports also have the legal authority to extend high-speed telecommunication services to their facilities. The Port is establishing a partnership with the PUD to extend fiber optic service from the PUD lines to Port facilities, including Parcel 2. This will allow the Port to diversify the businesses they can attract and locate on Parcel 2. It is not the Port's intent to provide actual high-speed telecommunication services to the end user however, the Port will extend the base trunk lines, and private enterprise will provide the end user services.

Anita handed out for the Commissioners review the final draft of our Option to Purchase Agreement for Parcel 2 from the City of North Bonneville. She will present the final document to the City Council tonight.

Commissioner Matt Masco made a motion for Anita to sign the Agreement. Commissioner Judy Teitzel seconded the Motion. The motion passed.

Anita handed out several sections of the final draft of the Management Guide for the Commissioners review and comment. Deana will check the minutes to see if these were formally accepted already.

Anita passed out for the Commissioners information, a copy of the invoice description that will be used to invoice the County for the Port's WRN activities for the months of January and February.

Vouchers: Commissioner Judy Teitzel moved to approve pre-issued General Fund Payroll Vouchers Numbered 11786 and 11787, in the amount of \$1,978.22. Commissioner Matt Masco seconded the motion. The motion passed. Commissioner Matt Masco moved to approve General Fund Vouchers Numbered 11788 through 11824 in the amount of \$19,399.87. Commissioner Judy Teitzel seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Executive Session: At 5:15 p.m. the Commissioners, with the Executive Director and Port Attorney, recessed into Executive Session to discuss potential lease litigation issues.

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The Commission came out of Executive Session at approximately 5:35 p.m. with no decisions being made.

The meeting was recessed to the PUD Building Conference Room in Carson, where it will reconvene at 6:00 p.m. in a joint public meeting with the Skamania County Commissioners on the WRN project. The Commissioners agreed by consensus they would adjourn from the joint public meeting at 6:50 p.m.

6:00 p.m. The joint meeting of the Skamania County Commissioners, the Port of Skamania County Commissioners and the public was called to order. County Commissioner Ed McLarney opened the meeting with words of welcome. Port Executive Director Anita Gahimer gave a presentation on the WRN Project and the status of the conveyance. The meeting then went into a question and answer session. For attendance records of this meeting please refer to the minutes kept by the Skamania County Auditor.

6:50 p.m. The Port's participation in the joint meeting officially adjourned, and Port Commissioner Judy Teitzel excused herself for personal reasons, and Executive Director Anita Gahimer excused herself to attend the North Bonneville City Council Meeting. Commissioner Meyer left soon thereafter.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, March 28, 2000, at 4:00 p.m.

Commissioner Matt Masco

Commissioner Judy Teitzel

Commissioner Dave Meyer

ATTEST:

Administrative Assistant, Deana Midland