

**PORT OF GOLD BEACH
MINUTES
May 20, 2010
Regular Meeting**

Present:

Absent:

Milt Walker, President
Moe Johnson, Vice-President
Larry Prestininzi, Commissioner
Charles Riddle, Secretary, (Attended Telephonically)
Bill McNair, Commissioner

Errol Roberts, Manager
Jeff Kemp, Port Accountant

The meeting was called to order by President Milt Walker, at 7:02 p.m., the roll was called and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Some of the business was attended to out of order so that people could state their business so they could leave sooner, as follows:

Charlie Casey, Manager of Huntley Park, gave his report, saying that the grass is growing. Walker inquired as to the tent near the office area and said he is taking up a prime spot. Charlie said he would be moving to another part of the park. Johnson inquired as to the big brush pile near the entrance and Charlie said all that would burn, has been and the "globs" that would not burn were hauled out. Charlie announced that he would be quitting on August 1, 2010.

Jeff Adrian who had been hired to go mow the grass at Huntley Park reported that he is available for any of that type of work. He is the live fish buyer for Nor-Cal and said that the ladder by the hoist has been moved and it is not able to accommodate the lifts now. He also said that the hoist arm needs to be addressed in that it is back too far and he is unable to see the boats as the loads are being lifted to the high dock. Manager Roberts will take care of those matters.

Maggie McHugh of the Watershed Council reported that on June 5, the Rogue River Cleanup will be held and people can sign up outside of Jerry's Jet Boats between 8:30 and 9:00 a.m. For the first year, they will be cutting some brush in addition to collecting trash along the river. She also spoke of the Watershed

Council membership, saying that she hoped the Port would continue to be a part of the council. The council has been assisting the Port in a mitigation plan regarding the high dock. She handed out some information regarding possible sites.

REVIEW ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: The accounts payable for April 20, 2010 was reviewed and upon **Motion by Bill McNair, seconded by Moe Johnson, to approve the accounts payable for April 20, 2010. Motion approved by consensus 5-0.**

Motion was made by Moe Johnson, seconded by Bill McNair to approve the accounts payable for May 5, 2010, and approved by consensus 5-0.

REVIEW ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE: The accounts receivable were then reviewed with few questions.

FINANCIAL/BUDGET REPORT: Port Accountant Jeff Kemp then presented the budget report. He mentioned a few items that are above budgetary expectations and some items that are below but found no large concerns. He also explained some adjustments that will be done.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Moe Johnson moved to approve the minutes for the meeting of April 15, 2010, seconded by Bill McNair and passed by consensus 4-0 with Charles Riddle abstaining as he was not present at that meeting.**

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing discussed.

NEW BUSINESS: Manager Roberts discussed the pending lease with the Curry County Veteran's Memorial (CCVMA) group. It will be for 99 years at no charge. He had made a few changes as suggested by the Port Attorney for the regular lease format, regarding attorney fees and arbitration clauses. The Port commissioners are all in favor of the lease to the CCVMA and supportive of the memorial.

MANAGER'S REPORT AND CORE TASK REVIEW: Roberts reported he has met again with Kathy Ingram regarding the Strategic Business Plan for the Port. She took more information and said they are working on it.

In response to a question from Charles Riddle regarding the occupancy at the Cannery Building, Roberts said he has had an inquiry regarding renting the large office space upstairs. He will keep the commissioners informed.

(Manager's Report Continued)

The hoses and reels for the airport fuel pumps are here but cannot be installed as some parts were not sent. They will be installed upon arrival.

Roberts will be sending out the required Request for Qualifications for Engineering Services for Airport Projects.

The board previously asked Roberts to inquire if the Marine Board is actually considering placing some new boat ramps on the river. He did call and inquire and was told that they are looking at sites now for in the future. Roberts told them of an ideal spot at the upper end of the bar at Huntley Park. He feels that when the time comes, they will consider that area.

Roberts reported the area lights for the parking area are starting to rust. He is looking into some small grants and will try to pull it together, perhaps replacing them with lights that are more resistant to the ocean air.

Roberts said he attended a meeting in Brookings with the OPPA, a state lobby group. There is talk of making commission training mandatory and they are proposing some changes to ORS 777, which covers ports in Oregon.

The picnic tables and fire rings need to be replaced at Huntley Park and he wants to start a program to replace a number of them each year. He will look into the possibility of buying ones made in prisons.

Roberts reported that he received a call from a former resident regarding the possible purchase of a little strip of land owned by the Port, across from Huntley Park, between the North Bank Road and the river. He will discuss it further with Mr. Reina, the agent who called.

Roberts said he and Moe Johnson have been working on the new personnel policy, which is basically a copy of the suggested policy from SDAO, with changes made to make it suitable for the Port's use. A copy of it is available for each commissioner to read. After it is read and possibly changed, he will print it out for approval of the board.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

Charles Riddle: Charles inquired as to the plan to keep the docks clean. Roberts said the man who will be picking up fish carcasses will be put in charge of keeping the docks clean. They have recently been power washed and are clean now, but that will not last.

Moe Johnson: Remarked on the fact that a good fishing season is expected for this year and with the port now being required to pay for the removal of carcasses, he fears there will not be enough budgeted to pay the expense.

Milt Walker: Milt said he already has a gentleman in mind for the caretaker's job at Huntley Park and he will talk to him about whether or not he would be interested.

Larry Prestininzi: Larry expressed his concern at the lack of consideration the Army Corps of Engineers gives to the dredging of the Rogue River bar. They will give the Port 6.4 days worth of dredging this year, regardless of the bar and tides. The dredge requires 12 ft. of water so it will likely have to dredge itself to the area where it will start dredging the river, all cutting into the time allotted to the Port. He said it would be more efficient if the dredge would start early on a limited basis instead of waiting until July. His experience is that the better the fishing, the sooner fishermen start to arrive. Roberts said he thinks there are time issues involved with their permit process. He will look into the matter.

On the motion of Moe Johnson, seconded by Bill McNair, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.