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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – JUNE 20, 2019

Present: Bill McNair
Charles Riddle
Mike Luzmoor
Hank Eckardt

Andy Wright – Port Manager
Jeff Kemp – Port Accountant

Absent: Bill Fowler

The meeting was called to order, the flag salute was recited, and roll call was taken.

Public comment was called. David Barnes was in attendance and had questions about the gravel bars in the Rogue and our dredging plans. Another person in attendance wanted to know if there was a company that would come haul the rock away. He also asked if anyone has filed a permit for removing gravel. Bill McNair explained that there is a lot of gravel up river that will keep coming down into our harbor entrance, and, unfortunately, we can't do preemptive dredging. The Corps Of Engineers only maintains Federal Channel. The Port can only take care of our harbor. The person then asked if they would have the Commission's okay to push harder to solve the gravel shoal issue. Bill McNair said that was fine, and reminded the public it's up to a private entity to get the necessary permits and then have the gravel removed. The discussion continued.

Steve Byerland, also in attendance, made a statement regarding his ongoing efforts to force the Corps of Engineers into action to increase salmon production at the hatchery. He, and others, are still considering taking legal action. The public comment wrapped up and those in attendance left.

Bill McNair adopted a resolution to approve the budget. Bill McNair read aloud Resolution 219-6. **Motion to approve Resolution 219-6 to approve the budget was made by Hank Eckardt and seconded by Mike Luzmoor. Motion passed unanimously.**

Under old business, the gravel removal from the Rogue was revisited and it was noted this will be an ongoing topic. Andy Wright said that the Corps of Engineers awarded the dredging contract to West Coast Contractors. They will stage their equipment the week of July 4th and start dredging the week of the 8th. They're focusing on removing 1800 yards of the gravel shoal off the end of the south jetty. They will need our boat ramp closed in order to stage their equipment. Total cost is \$360,000. Andy ordered some buoys and anchor ropes to mark the channel through the dredging area.

Andy also attended a South Coast Ports meeting in Bandon last week to discuss next year's dredging plan. Andy stressed the importance of the need to make extra money available to deal with the big shoal problem next year as well. This meeting was also attended by senators and lobbyists.

Under new business, Andy brought up that the past owner of the Harrison house owned a hangar on Port property, and he has passed that hangar along to the recent buyers with the sale of his house. The new owners are planning on leasing an airplane to put in the hangar. **Motion to approve the new airport lease to the new lessee was made by Bill McNair and seconded by Hank Eckardt. Motion passed unanimously.** The commissioners signed the new lease.

Regarding the Oceanside RV park pending sale, the Port relinquished the right of refusal and the current owner is now negotiating with a potential buyer. The potential buyer wants to negotiate his own lease with us. Andy will continue to work with the potential buyer on this.

The Commission reviewed the minutes from the May meeting. **Motion to approve the minutes from the May meeting made by Mike Luzmoor and seconded by Charles Riddle. Motion passed unanimously.**

The May Accounts Payables were reviewed and discussed. **Motion to approve May Accounts Payables made by Bill McNair and seconded by Hank Eckardt. Motion passed unanimously.**

The Commission reviewed and discussed the Aged Receivables.

Andy Wright gave his monthly manager's report.

- Andy has given permission on July 10 for the Puget Sound Antique airplane flying club to have a fly-in. They stay for a few hours, have lunch, to show their airplanes to the public.
- The Fireworks Fund group have asked to have a party at the Port on the 4th of July. Because they wanted to serve beer at the party, Andy got permission from the insurance company before giving permission to the Fireworks Fund.
- Andy was approached by a woman who is trying to organize a roving art exhibit on the Oregon coast this October. It is called the Live Culture Art exhibit. Andy gave her 3 potential locations on Port property where she could set up exhibits. Their group will be responsible for all installation, removal, and clean up.
- Airport improvement plan money. We are going to have \$85K expiring from our 2014 grant that we weren't able to use, though we tried. The FAA would like to keep the money available within the state of Oregon and have asked us to transfer the funds to the ODA for their pavement maintenance plan. Andy said yes, and asked the Commission to sign the document.
- The Port is still waiting on the new marina fuel pump to arrive and be installed.
- The Port is still waiting on Coos-Curry Electric to replace some of our light poles. The work has been paid for already.
- Andy met with the Brookings USCG regarding their temporary relocation to Gold Beach. They will put their 29' boat across the river for now. After dredging, they will put their 49' boat in our harbor. Andy signed the "as-is" agreement with them.
- We found a company to haul away all our old excess fuel, with the exception of the Jet-A fuel.
- The Port was getting ready to replace gutters on north facing side of the Cannery building. When the gutters were starting to be removed, the workers found a lot of rust on the siding beneath. The gutter replacement has been

put on hold while the Port looks for contractors to replace siding first. This will be an ongoing project.

- Andy will not be in the office on next month's Commission meeting date. Andy suggested bypassing July's meeting, especially since there is nothing outstanding that needs to be voted on. The Commission agreed.

Jeff Kemp gave his monthly financial report. He reviewed all revenues and expenses, and there was nothing out of the ordinary to report.

Under Commissioner's comments, Bill McNair explained the reason behind the stalling of the implementation of the rinse station. There were no other comments.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.