

PORT OF THE DALLES COMMISSION
Regular Session Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 12, 2022, 7:00 p.m.
Port Administrative Office
The Dalles, Oregon

The Regular Session Meeting of the Port Commissioners was called to order by President Greg Weast at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL Executive Assistant Toepke

- COMMISSION Greg Weast, Robert Wallace, Staci Coburn, David Griffith, John Willer
- STAFF Andrea Klaas, Executive Director; Jennifer Toepke, Executive Assistant; Bill Dick, Port Attorney
- GUESTS Scott Baker, Executive Director, Northern Wasco County Parks & Recreation District; Steve Light, Owner/Operator, Freebridge Brewing
- MEDIA Alana Lackner, Columbia Gorge News

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE President Greg Weast

AGENDA CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS None

COMMUNITY PARTNER UPDATE

\$5 million projects in The Dalles:

- Largest project is Sorosis Park: Crestline is the contractor. 785 pines lost to ponderosa pine beetle. Irrigation intact. Planting 70 trees in first phase. #1 request in community survey was a basketball court. Tree top playground, useful life to end in 2024. Replacement cost is roughly \$700k.
- Skate Park. Similar in Bend. \$500k+ project. \$260k from Oregon State. Remaining from General Fund & System Development Charges. Hope to develop Thomson Park to keep out people that utilizing the park in the wrong way. Culture Survey was required, nothing was found.
- Mill Creek Greenway: Bike & footpath, from Riverfront Trail through The Dalles. The first part to be built will be the hardest section. In 2020 it was a \$3mil project, plus a match from the Parks, Urban Renewal & ODOT.

PUBLIC COMMENT OR QUESTION

REGULAR SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:25 P.M. & EXECUTIVE SESSION COMMENCED AT 7:26 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION as allowed by ORS 192.660(2)(e) Real Property Transactions **Media representatives are instructed not to report or disclose matters discussed in Executive Session*

EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:40 P.M. & REGULAR SESSION RESUMED AT 7:41 P.M.

ACTION REQUIRED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION None

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS Port Commission Regular Session Meeting amended to November 9, 2022

ACTION ITEMS

1. September 14, 2022, Regular Session Meeting Minutes *Stand as amended: President Willer to Asst. Secretary-Treasurer Willer, 9-man Football to 8-man Football*
2. September 2022 Financial Reports Treasurer Coburn *Stand as presented*
3. Offer from Rod Huante: \$4,000.00 cash to purchase Port's 2003 Chevrolet Silverado Pickup Truck *RW/DG Surplus and post for public to bid on*

REPORTS

1. Staff Report Executive Director Klaas Stands as included in packet
 - Obsidian Pacific NW Hydrogen Hub
 - Port of The Dalles 2022 Strategic Business Plan RFP & Scope of Work
2. Committee Reports
 - Community Outreach Team Commissioner Weast Mask mandate for each side. Cliff Bentz is now aware of the COT & Port of The Dalles, as is Newhouse.
 - Urban Renewal Commissioner Coburn Awaiting word on a grant for the Tony's building. Rec building: ice cream & apothecary shops now open, 3rd building to be completed in mid-January. Blue building was paid off earlier than expected. City Staff and consultant have reviewed the ODOT project on 1st street, and the City can complete it sooner & cheaper than ODOT.
 - Chamber of Commerce Commissioner Griffith
 - Dufur Commissioner Wallace Kramer's Market closed for business. The apartments above Kramer's Market are nearly, six apartments in total. Dufur Visioning: Steering Committee is underway. The wastewater project is still moving forward.
 - Wasco County EDC Executive Assistant Toepke EA Toepke to continue Port representation on the EDC. Nan Wimmers stepping down as Vice-Chair. EA Toepke nominated Lisa Farquarhson, The Dalles Area Chamber of Commerce. Nan Wimmers nominated Tonya Brumley, NW Natural Gas. Tonya Brumley declined due to her workload; Lisa Farquarhson happily accepted the nomination and was voted the next Vice-Chair of the EDC. Community Enhancement Project process was reviewed. Community meetings are getting scheduled for the Winter.

EXECUTIVE SESSION *as allowed by ORS 192.660(2)(e) Real Property Transactions and ORS 192.660(2)(h) Conferring with Legal Counsel regarding litigation* *Media representatives are instructed not to report or disclose matters discussed in Executive Session

ACTION REQUIRED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION None

COMMISSION CALL Thanks to staff for taking time to travel for Port business. Commissioner Wallace (Executive Director, Wy'East Resource Conversation and Development) to speak at the 2022 Columbia Gorge Economic Symposium as a member of the panel presentation on Renewable Energy Industry in the Gorge.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE PORT COMMISSION, the meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

PORT OF THE DALLES:



Greg Weast, President
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:



David A. Griffith, Secretary
Board of Commissioners

DATE APPROVED: November 9, 2022

DATE AMENDED: January 11, 2023

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