



## PORT COMMISSION OF THE PORT OF EDMONDS

### MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

July 27, 2015

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#### COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Fred Gouge, Secretary  
Mary Lou Block  
Jim Orvis

#### STAFF PRESENT

Bob McChesney, Executive Director

#### OTHERS PRESENT

Megan Barnes, Administrative  
Assistant

#### COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

David Preston, President  
Bruce Faires, Vice President

#### CALL TO ORDER

Commission President Preston called the regular meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All those in attendance participated in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

**COMMISSIONER ORVIS MOVED THAT THE CONSENT AGENDA BE APPROVED TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

- A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- B. APPROVAL OF JUNE 29, 2015 MEETING MINUTES**
- C. APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$477,274.46**
- D. AUTHORIZATION FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO WRITE OFF \$2,571.19 AND SEND ACCOUNT TO COLLECTIONS**

**COMMISSIONER BLOCK SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tom Mesaros, Edmonds City Council, asked the Commission about the progress in regards to the restroom project at the Port. Mr. McChesney answered that the Port has preordered the buildings from the manufacturer. He also noted that they have hired the services of Reid Middleton for the engineering and specifications for the site work (as a separate contract). Once the engineering is completed, the Port will apply for two permits from the City; a public works permit and a building permit. He hopes these will be applied for by the end of September. Councilmember Mesaros asked to be kept informed on this project, and he would do all he could to help the Port. Commissioner Gouge thanked him, and said the Port appreciates this.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. McChesney advised that the three capital maintenance projects are Harbor Square are all on schedule. The Building 4 roof project and the Building 3 HVAC are completed, and the Building 3 roof overlay will begin shortly. The goal was to have all three projects completed by Labor Day, and he believes this will happen. Commissioner Gouge asked if these projects are staying on budget, to which Mr. McChesney answered affirmatively and stated that there have been no change orders.

Mr. McChesney also noted that he will attend the Boatyard Permit seminar in Olympia tomorrow, July 28<sup>th</sup>. He also attended the WPPA Port Director's seminar in Walla Walla on July 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>.

## **COMMISSION COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Commissioner Gouge informed the Commission that E15 gasoline (gasoline that is blended with 15% ethanol) is becoming more prevalent on the market, which may prove to be problematic for high performance motors. Ethanol is a corrosive agent, which could be harmful to certain rubbers and metals. Mr. McChesney noted that the Port currently sells E10 gasoline with a Valvtect additive, intended to counteract any potentially harmful effects of ethanol. Ethanol free gasoline (or "clear"/"pure" gasoline) is not being produced as much, causing it to be more expensive to consumers. Mr. Gouge also noted that as the Port will eventually be rebidding our fuel contract, we should consider all of these options for the Port.

Commissioner Gouge noted that the City of Edmonds will hopefully be adopting the Comprehensive Plan Update tomorrow at their city council meeting.

Commissioner Gouge asked Mr. McChesney if a committee has been formed to address the alternatives analysis and study in regards to the Burlington Northern Santa Fe at-grade crossings. Mr. McChesney stated that he was contacted by Mayor Earling, asking who the Port representative would be on the steering committee. Mr. McChesney noted that Jim Orvis will be the representative for the Port.

It was also noted that a time for the finance committee to meet will be scheduled for some time in August.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Commission meeting was adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Fred Gouge  
Port Commission Secretary