



# PORT OF NEHALEM

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## PORT OF NEHALEM BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2014

### CALL TO ORDER:

President Dale Stockton called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Commissioners present: Rick Dart, Lindy Scovell, Jim Peters and Des Kahrs. Guests: Karen Matthews, Jack Bloom, Char vonAhlefeld, Mary Gallagher, Margie Neilson  
. Secretary: Karrie Purdom

### PRESENTATION:

TideRunners- Karen Matthews presented a letter addressing the agreement with the Port. They feel the agreement that has been written will be very easy for them to follow. They've pulled their boat for the season and look forward to returning for their new season in March 2015. Karen noted the need for clarification in regards to access and safety. They are requesting a dock area of 6 ft. for the safety of getting in and out of their boat. They are requesting response by the Port at the Ports January 2015 Board Meeting to allow them to prepare for their upcoming season.

Rick Dart made a suggestion of putting in another dock to provide them the area needed. Karen noted she was aware there are regulations and she'd try to research the possibility. There was discussion regarding the placement of the tug and skiff as to what position worked best for them. Rick made the suggestion to have a Port Commissioner talk to Clint about what position would work best. He also requested any future needs by Tiderunners be directed to any one of the Commissioners, noting that Clint works for the Port and must take direction from one of them and not Tiderunner members. Char asked if they can put a marking on the dock to designate their space. Rick responded that after the Commissioners were able to speak with Clint, it shouldn't be an issue an not necessary.

### 1. ADMINISTRATION

- A. Minutes of September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Board Meeting – Approved Unanimous
- B. 1. Bills for September 2014 – Approved Unanimous
  2. Financial Statement for September 2014 – Approved Unanimous
- D. Channel Crew
  1. Gregory:
  2. River: Question rose to find out if Clint has pulled buoys out. Jim noted it has been done. Jim also said that Clint had mentioned it has been 3 years since the tug has been pulled out for cleaning and feels it's time again. Jim asked that it be

held off until after the re-dredging is complete. Rick asked if we've received the buoys that were ordered. Dale confirmed we have and they were delivered to his warehouse.

## **2. OLD BUSINESS**

**A.** Dredge Update – Jim presented a letter regarding the current standings with all the agencies. Jim discussed a conversation he had with Vern Scovell regarding a meeting Vern will have with Roy Garren on October 28<sup>th</sup>. There's a gasket that needs replacing and will need about two days to replace, so they want to come to Nehalem in between Depot Bay and Garibaldi. They plan to tie up next to the Eland and simultaneously pull the pump and fix the repairs. Jim noted he spoke with Vern earlier today, he's been battling weather, but he spoke with the Corps to get permission to come to our job in-between the Corps jobs. They have not told Vern "no", but that they'd have an answer for Vern tomorrow October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Jim mentioned that Vern is in the mindset to take care of this matter and redeem himself. Rick asked if the Corps or DSL will have an inspector on site. Jim said they will as part of protocol. Rick feels he'd like to have an inspector on site to get a sign off on the completion before Vern leaves the job. Jim noted the Corps will send an inspector.

**B.** Lindy asked if either Dale or Rick have spoken with Clint. He noted in Astoria, the protocol is to write up the offense, have the employee sign it, and it goes in the employee file. Rick said he had talked to Clint two months ago and put Clint on notice about his interaction with the public. Jim mentioned that it's his understanding there has not been another incident since Rick had a talk with Clint. Rick suggested going to a single lock system on the gate instead of two. Jim suggested it may be advantageous for Clint to report to one specific appointed Commissioner as opposed to any of the five, as well as Karrie having a specific member to report to. Rick thought it may be a good idea to sit down with Clint once a year and catch up. Jim noted it may be the time to consider each Board Member take on a responsibility on the Commission.

## **3. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A.** Mail of Interest: Signatures needed on Agent of Record to be sent to Secretary of State and Tillamook County Clerk.

**B.** Resident Mark Beach requested a map of the properties owned by the Port. Rick suggested tax lot numbers for maps.

**C.** Dale read a letter from Norm Byer to the US Coast Guard about the removal of the entrance buoys at the mouth of the river. Dale wanted to know if the board wants to be responsible for the buoys. Jim questioned if we'd have any liability. Lindy noted we don't have equipment big enough to maintain it. Lindy asked what would be the payoff to our involvement. Rick mentioned they are removing from Garibaldi as well. After considerable discussion it was determined it wasn't within the Ports capability to fulfill the requirements of its maintenance.

**D.** Dale received a letter from Kathleen Larson requesting a donation of \$600

to \$800 from the Port to help fund a mosaic tile art installation on the exterior of a public restroom. Des noted he's not opposed to artwork, however he doesn't feel it's something that's Port related. Jim mentioned it's in the Ports interest to support the non-profits. Dale noted it's not necessarily an appropriate expenditure. Dale said he would be in touch with Kathleen to let her know.

- E. Rick feels it would be advantageous for the Port to have a website created to allow the public to be better informed of what the Port does. We'd be able to post our Agenda & Minutes, it would be an avenue to create good public relations. A good way to get information out to the public, such as our donation to Mudd-Nick Foundation. The Board asked Karrie to look into costs. Clints pictures can be posted to show what the Port does.

**4. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:** None

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**6. ADJOURN:** 8:45 P.M.

Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary

Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
President