



PORT OF NEHALEM

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PORT OF NEHALEM BOARD MEETING March 23rd, 2016

CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chairman Rick Dart called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
Roll Call – Commissioners present: Terry Fullan, and Steve Huber.
Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Present: Janice Lavolette, Jack Thayer, Jacob Hanke, Jack Weichal, Des Kahrs, Mark Tellhed and John Steele. There were other community members present who either did not sign in or names were illegible. Secretary: Karrie Purdom.

Guests Present: Mike Cohen – EDC

Mike Presented to the board and community members a new revolving loan program now being offered to Tillamook County small businesses in an effort to encourage small business development. He noted that an existing business may borrow up to \$30,000 and a new business up to \$20,000. Interest rates are kept low at prime plus 1 or 2. The borrowers' credit doesn't need to be stellar. Community member Jake Hanke mentioned he was familiar with their revolving loan program and found them to be quite helpful.

1. ADMINISTRATION

- A. Minutes of February 24th, 2016 Board Meeting – Approved 3-0 Rick, Terry, & Steve.
- B. Financial Statement for February 2016 – Approved 3-0 Rick, Terry, & Steve.
- C. Bills for February 2016 – Approved 3-0 Rick, Terry, & Steve.
- D. Channel Crew:
 1. **Gregory:** The tug has been pulled and currently at Leo's, Clint reported there is nothing major, just washing, painting, a couple holes to patch and replace the rudder.
 2. **River:** The tree at Sports Camp has shifted from the current. Rick informed the board and public that a letter has been sent to the secretary of the

Sports Camp informing them of their responsibility to remove the tree. Included in the letter were instructions of the proper steps to take with the county and the permits required. The letter also specified the Port of Nehalem is willing to be of assistance however will not accept any financial responsibility.

2. OLD BUSINESS

A. The board voted unanimously 3-0 to refund the apartment tenant a total of \$720.00. This figure was determined at \$10.00 per month for a total of 72 months/6 years. It was previously discovered the tenant had been paying for the apartment electricity as well as the workshop which was connected to the apartment meter. However, the power for the Ports new office (formally rented by the tenant as part of the apartment) had not been connected to the apartment and in fact was connected to the warehouse meter.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. The board voted unanimously 3-0 to appoint Jim Neilson, Mark Tellhed, Jack Thayer, Steve Neahring, & Jake Hanke as the 2016-2017 Budget Committee.

B. Terry Fullan shared he attended a meeting for the Clatsop/Nehalem Confederate Tribe. Terry thought it would be helpful if the Port were to send a letter of support to Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici, providing support of legislature to restore the status of the tribe becoming federally recognized. This act will establish to protect their culture and burial grounds as well as give them access to education and healthcare. It would also provide them with gaming and fishing rights. The board voted unanimously 3-0 to send the letter of support.

4. MAIL OF INTEREST: Karrie informed the board we have a new contract with ODFW for the Cormorant Hazing. It will begin April 1st, 2016 through May 31st, 2016.

Karrie also informed the board, local resident Aaron Scovel is creating a SUP (Standup Paddle Board) race and asked if he needed the Ports permission. Rick felt that it would be something the Port needs to be kept informed as the details become clear.

Karrie informed the board she has spoken with Tony Veltri, our insurance broker regarding filing an insurance claim for the dock repair. The total cost was \$7,109.00.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: Steve Huber asked why we start the meetings at 7:30, noting that there are times when the conversation gets long winded and meetings go late. He also asked why they're held the fourth Wednesday of the month wondering if it would make more sense to hold them earlier in the month for bill payment reasons. Rick mentioned that it has been the fourth Wednesday at 7:30 for as long as he can remember, dating back to when his father was on the board. Karrie mentioned as for the time, it seems to be helpful for Lindy as he usually doesn't

get back in town from work until after 5:30. Karrie shared that the majority of the monthly bills arrive around the first of the month, and are signed and mailed by the fifteenth.

7. ADJOURN MEETING: 9:10pm

Attest _____

Approved _____

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