



PORT OF NEHALEM

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PORT OF NEHALEM BOARD MEETING October 26th, 2016

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Lindy Scovell called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call – Commissioners present: Rick Dart, Terry Fullan, & Steve Huber.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Present: Jack & Sheila Weichal, Darrell Winegar, Jack Thayer, Mark Tellhed and Laura Swanson. Secretary: Karrie Purdom.

1. ADMINISTRATION

- A. Minutes of September 28th, 2016 Board Meeting – Approved 4-0
- B. Financial Statement for September 2016 – Approved 4-0
- C. Bills for September 2016 – Approved 4-0
- D. Channel Crew:
 - 1. **Gregory:** None
 - 2. **River:** See report attached from Clint.

2. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Rick shared that he will talk to Kelly next month in regards to diving under the Eland to check for snags.
- B. Rick will compose a letter of support to OPPA.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Laura Swanson shared information on the Smiley Bros. fish canning for the North County Food Bank. She noted they still have some reserve in their funds. They're hoping to raise over \$14,000.00 noting the need is even greater than in years past. Laura is requesting the Port match their donation from last year of \$5,000.00. Commissioner Steve Huber raised his concern that \$5,000.00 is a lot of money in relation to the amount of money the Port brings in, especially with the recent hits taken in the Ports rental properties. Rick commented that we'd have to shuffle money in the budget if we are going to do this, because we only budgeted \$3,000.00 towards public relations, of which

we have already used \$275.00 to date. Rick made the suggestion to transfer \$5,000.00 out of our contingency fund as to not fully deplete the public relations fund. Jack Thayer shared concerns that some of these charities get reliant on just a few donators and not seek funding from other sources. Laura shared that they do have other entities they are funded by such as the community and the Schmidt Foundation. Laura stated they expect to get about 5000 12 oz. cans which the food bank distributes at 2 cans per adult. A motion was passed 3 Aye – 1 Nay to donate \$5,000.00 to the Smiley Bros.

B. The Commissioners reviewed the first quarter expenditures in comparison to the FY budget. Rick noted the only thing he wants to look at further is the amount spent on field tools & equipment. Noting that \$1945.00 of the \$2000.00 has already been spent. He suggested taking a closer look at each item spent to determine if perhaps some may fall under another category.

4. **MAIL OF INTEREST:** Karrie requested a decision on whether to pay the \$1100.00 membership fee to EDC. Rick asked Karrie if she spoke with Greg Jenks on the matter. She shared Greg felt it was a lot of money for something that the Port is minimally involved with. Terry suggested we get in touch with Ed Gallagher who is on their board to see if he would be willing to keep the Port updated as needed. The consensus from the board was there isn't a need for the Ports membership at this time.

Karrie shared that she has been doing some homework on finding an updated alternative to the tape recorder used in the Ports meetings. She found a system that would require the purchase of a laptop computer and software that will allow the laptop to both record and dictate to written material. This would greatly reduce the time spent on preparing the meeting minutes. She shared the total estimated cost would be approximately \$450.00. The board was in support of the purchase; however it will need to be on Novembers Agenda to be voted for approval.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Jack Thayer shared that it would be helpful and interesting to know what other people are giving to the Smiley Bros. charity. Jack also mentioned there's an awful lot of community interest in the Ports March meeting with the Marine Deputy about the speeds on the river. Jack asked when the next Salmonberry meeting will be. Terry replied he believed it was on November 10th. Terry let Jack know he'd call him with the location of the meeting.

Jack Weichal and Darrell Winegar felt that if the salmon canning is distributed to the north county from Arch Cape to Rockaway Beach, then they should be asking for donations from Manzanita, Wheeler, and such places as the Rockaway Lions Club, and others. Not solely relying on the Port for such a large portion. Darrell also questioned if Smiley Bros. were giving a break on the canning cost. Rick replied that last year he made a few calls to get pricing comparisons and felt it was about half of what others were

charging. Mark Tellhed agreed that other entities from the Arch Cape to Rockaway Beach areas should be approached and the Port not carry such a large portion of the funds needed for the program.

6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: None

7. MEETING ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION: 8:26pm

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED TO REGULAR MEETING: 9:00pm

The Board voted unanimously 4-0 approving a \$3.00 per hour raise to Jack Weichal.

9. MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:02PM

Attest _____

Approved _____