



Port of Nehalem

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Regular Board Meeting Minutes

March 27th 2019, 6:30 P.M., NCRD BUILDING – Room 7

Called to order 6:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Constituents: Dave Bell, Jack Thayer

Commissioners: Steve Huber, president; Terry Fullan, vice-president; Dave DeVault, secretary-treasurer; Darrell Winegar, Janice Laviolette

Staff: Gene Dieken

1. ADMINISTRATION

- A. Accept Board Meeting Minutes of February 2019. M: L, S: D. Vote: 5-0
- B. Accepted Financial Statement of February 2019. M: L, S: W. Vote: 5-0
- C. Accept Bills for February 2019. M: L, S: W. Vote: 5-0
- D. --Channel Crew Report: Cormorant hazing contract with ODFW is in place & we have received their record keeping material. Hazing will start on April 1st.
--Hayes requested that the Commissioners approve purchase of eight new larger no-wake buoys. Additionally it was proposed to convert some of the older narrow no-wake buoys into channel markers or provide some phased-out buoys to local marinas to encourage boaters to slow down.
- E. Office Report
--None

2. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Consider initial goals for funds recently transferred into Local Government Pool: Board opted to leave all investment funds in LGIP for the near future and monitor the account interest rate on a monthly basis.
- B. Discuss suggested order of buoys to purchase for the new season and any plans for disposing of the buoys rotated out of use. Laviolette made a motion to purchase eight more no-wake buoys. Seconded by Winegar. Vote 5-0
- C. USGS bathymetric survey update:
--Krista Jones of USGS communicated that they expect to complete the SONAR/GPS bathymetric survey of selected sites on the bay in June of 2019 but that the final survey may not be complete before March of 2020. She volunteered to create a program about interim progress if the Commissioners wanted it.

D. Appoint a Budget Officer:

Janice Laviolette was appointed Budget Officer. The other commissioners will serve and Dieken will invite constituents Jim Neilsen, Steve Nearing, Mark Telhead, Cory Hua, and Jack Thayer to serve. Dave Bell has also agreed to serve if needed.

E. Election update:

--As of the March 21 filing deadline, one candidate had filed for each of the four positions available. Incumbents DeVault, Winegar and Laviolette filed for four-year positions and Cory Hua filed for the unexpired two-year term.

--The election is May 19.

F. Update on bank stabilization project:

Jack Thayer of the Sunset Drainage District noted that Fieldwork started on March 4 and engineering was in progress. He also noted that the work has to be completed by mid-September, a tight timeline.

G. Employee evaluation process update:

Fullan reported that He and Winegar had completed

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider resolution for a supplemental budget to correct technical issue with current budget:

Dieken noted that because the changes are more than 10%, a hearing will have to be called. He will schedule special hearing.

B. Consider a response to Oregon Secretary of State's general communication to special districts & municipalities RE: new laws that concern budget oversight: Deferred. Dieken suggested that for the Port's purposes, it might be wise to identify and work with a financial consultant.

4. MAIL OF INTEREST: None.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

--Jack Thayer had an update on the Salmonberry Trail project.

-- Nehalem River Scenic Corridor was approved by the Governor.

-- Dave Bell noted that many boats had run aground out from Wheeler over spring break and wanted the Commissioners to consider deploying buoys earlier in the season.

6. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS: None

7. ADJOURNED: 7:45 pm