

Port of Nehalem

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Regular Board Meeting Minutes

July 22, 2020, 6:30 p.m., NCRD Doyle Room

Called to order: 6:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Staff: Gene Dieken, Joe Hayes

Constituents: Jack Thayer, Ray Steele

1. ADMINISTRATION

- A. Accepted Board Meeting Minutes for June. Moved: Laviolette, second: Winegar. Vote 4-0
- B. Accepted Financial Statement for June. Moved: Laviolette, second: Winegar. Vote 4-0.
- C. Accepted Bills for June. Moved: Laviolette, second: Winegar. Vote 4-0.
- D. Accepted Budget Hearing Minutes as corrected from July 8. Moved: Laviolette, second: Winegar. Vote: 4-0
- E. Accepted Special Board Meeting Minutes as corrected from July 8. Moved: Laviolette, second: Winegar. Vote
- F. **Channel Crew Report:** Hayes says that all the buoys are in a pretty good state. The skiff outboard motor repairs seem to be successful.
- E. **Office Report.** Dieken will be working to gather documents for the annual financial review by Accuity, LLC. He's also compiling info for a public records request.
 - The north City of Nehalem dock has seen an explosion of use in the COVID era resulting in significant problems with parking, traffic, overcrowding & public urination. The City could address this with better signage, marked parking and a seasonal porta-potty.
 - Nehalem installed barriers along the newly created lawn area near the north city dock. This will discourage diagonal parking on the area.

2. OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Tug replacement status:** DeVault reported that the Port paid Norvell Boats the first installment to start construction of the replacement tug.
 - Board voted to purchase an available used winch for about 1/3 of new price. Not to exceed \$2,500. Moved: DeVault, second: Winegar. Vote 4-0.
 - Board consensus to get pricing for new 125hp Yamaha OB motor with a goal not to exceed \$10,000.
- B. **Update on Nehalem Bay Wastewater bank stabilization project.** Things are still at a standstill largely because of County's requirement for an extensive no-net-rise study that includes thorough sonar survey of adjacent river bottom. It was noted that this requirement is gating several infrastructure protection projects throughout the County.
- C. **Status of Tillamook County efforts to designate dredging spoils sites** near Nehalem Bay. No confirmed progress. Dieken noted that he had found an extensive

2007 study of possible spoils sites for Tillamook and Nehalem Bays by an engineering firm commissioned by Tillamook County. Any local dredge spoils site would also have to overcome no-net-rise requirements. He will make sure the County gets a copy.

D. Retirement plan for Port employees. After a lengthy discussion the Board felt it needed more research to make a decision and assigned that to Commissioner Winegar

E. Emergency repair of McDonald Road levy erosion. Noted that this small project is also halted by no-net-rise requirements.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Sponsorship of throwable life rings at City of Nehalem docks. DeVault noted that he had ordered a ring buoy for installation on Nehalem's north dock as a life-safety enhancement. He suggested the Port sponsor other installations if the first works out.

B. Port Sponsorship of area-wide affordable housing workshop. President Huber noted that he had talked to County Commissioner Yamamoto and set a date for Aug. 27. He asked Port staff to determine venue.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

5. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS: None

6. ADJOURNED: 8:00 pm