Port of Nehalem

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Board Meeting Minutes

April 27, 2022, 6:30 p.m. NCRD Doyle Room in Nehalem

Call to order Pledge of Allegiance Commissioners: Steve Huber, president; Janice Laviolette, vice-president; Dave DeVault, sec.-treasurer; Darrell Winegar. Staff: Gene Dieken, Joe Hayes Constituents: Ray Steele, Clif Kemp, Doug Marshall

1. ADMINISTRATION

- A. Accepted Board Meeting Minutes for March. Moved Winegar, seconded DeVault. Vote: 4-0.
- **B.** Accepted Financial Statement for March. Moved Winegar, seconded DeVault. Vote: 4-0.
- C. Accepted Bills for March. Moved Winegar, seconded DeVault. Vote: 4-0.

D. Channel Crew: Channel markers & Crab Rock hazard markers are deployed. No-wakes will be deployed in two weeks. Cormorant hazing saw a light number of birds for the most part and typically in the lower part of bay. New work boat motor mount modification was successful in preventing cavitation. Hayes will talk to Richard Merlos about diving to install a new chain attachment on the Crab Rock buoy anchor weight.

E. Office Report: City of Wheeler submitted their final cost-sharing payment for the USGS sedimentation study of Nehalem Bay. Budget meetings and strategic planning meeting dates will be changed to accommodate vacation plans of commissioners.

2. OLD BUSINESS

A. Strategic Plan update. ColPac Economic Development wants to set meeting dates for meeting with commissioners and a subsequent meeting with the public. Staff will schedule.

B. Nehalem Bay Wastewater bank stabilization project. In general, the project is permitted and should happen this summer. Oregon Dept. of State Lands needs clarity if the shoreline being enhanced is natural or manmade. **C**. Dredging update. None.

D. NOAA/USGS bayside stream/tide monitor update. USGS crew says they'll be here late May.

E. Update of Port's metal building modification update. Old bay door removed and the new taller one will be installed around May 1st along with new man door.

F. Cormorant hazing: see channel crew report above.

H. Buoy deployment: see channel crew report above.

I. Cost of Living Adjustments for staff. After discussion, Commissioners set a one-time adjustment of 5% on gross wage starting May 1st. Moved by: J. Laviolette, seconded by DeVault. Vote: 4-0

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. FY 22-23 budgeting process. Budget Committee Meeting will be June 8. Budget hearing before the regular meeting on June 22.

B. Schedule Executive Session for consideration of staff compensation. J. Laviolette wanted a summary of the most recent compensation changes to be part of the discussion. Due to Commissioners vacations, the executive session will take place in June or July with retroactive adjustments possible.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS. Clif Kemp suggested the looking at the League of Oregon City for guidance about exempt/exexempt salary negotiations and that any decision about changes could be made retroactive.

5. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS. None

6. ADJOURNED 7:24 p.m.