

# Port of Nehalem

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## Board Meeting Minutes

June 22, 2022, 6:30 p.m.

NCRD Doyle Room in Nehalem

**Called to order: 6:30 p.m.**

**Commissioners:** Steve Huber, president; Janice Laviolette, vice-president; sec.-treasurer; Darrell Winegar; Damian Laviolette.

**Staff:** Gene Dieken

**Constituents:** Ray Steele, Clif Kemp

### 1. STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Ayreann Colombo of Columbia Pacific Economic Development District, our strategic planning consultant presented the first update of their work. Items presented included

**A.** population statistics which show a small decrease in population and forecasts of a small decline up to 2030. Population is aging and education level is increasing

**B.** Employment types have not shifted; commuting distance is not bad compared to other counties; pandemic unemployment has recovered and is now better than pre-pandemic but labor-force participation is down.

**C.** After deliberation, commissioners to adopt the following updated goals as guidance for further development of the 2022 Strategic Plan:

1. Enhance the Port's capacity to work with regulatory/funding agencies to create the possibility of deepening key areas of the bay and river
2. Enhance economic diversification, recreational/economic infrastructure through partnership with local stakeholders/governments
3. Explore possibility of direct economic/educational investment that could work within the Port's core mission.

**D.** Commissioners reviewed/updated the Port's Strengths/Weaknesses/Opportunities/Threats matrix.

**E.** Colombo will present the 2<sup>nd</sup> update at the Port's August meeting.

### 2. ADMINISTRATION

**A.** Accept Board Meeting Minutes for June. Moved J. Laviolette; seconded D Laviolette. Vote: 4-0.

**B.** Accept Financial Statement for June. Moved J. Laviolette; seconded D Laviolette. Vote: 4-0.

**C.** Accept Bills for June. Moved J. Laviolette; seconded D Laviolette. Vote: 4-0.

**D.** Channel Crew: Hayes and DeVault pulled a snag clear of a constituent dock on June 21.

**E.** Office Report

### 3. OLD BUSINESS

**B.** Nehalem Bay Wastewater bank stabilization project: Still in negotiation with Oregon Dept. of State Lands.

**C.** Dredging update: None

**D.** NOAA/USGS bayside stream/tide monitor update: They are looking at shifting from in-water sensor to radar-base sensor due to complexity of mounting on 101/Nehalem bridge support column for the in-water approach.

**E.** Update of Port's metal building: modification update, lighting. Modifications complete except for

new lighting.

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

**A.** Insurance & liability review: process, schedule. Choose an attorney. Tabled till fall.

**B.** Dock re-decking: Commissioners concur with plan and want cost/supplier info when ready.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Steele wondered if the commute statistics included outbound to other counties: no. He also wanted clarity about stakeholders for the Plan/Port.

**6. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS.** J. Laviolette thanked Colombo for making the trip over the Coast Range.

**7. ADJOURN**