

MINUTES
PORT OF SIUSLAW COMMISSION
MEETING

Wednesday, February 15, 2006

President Scott called the Regular Meeting of the Port of Siuslaw Board of Commissioners to order at 7:00 pm in the Port office conference room located at 1499 Bay Street, Florence, Lane County, Oregon.

ATTENDANCE: Commission: Commissioner John Scott (Scott), Commissioner Bob Wagenschutz (Wagenschutz), Commissioner Joshua Greene (Greene), Commissioner Lynnette Wikstrom (Wikstrom), Commissioner John Buchanan (Buchanan). Staff: Port Manager Tom Kartrude (Kartrude), Recording Secretary Teresa Weaver (Weaver).

MINUTES: On the **MOTION** made by Wagenschutz, seconded by Wikstrom, the Board unanimously approved the Minutes of the Meeting held on January 18, 2006, as mailed.

FINANCIAL REVIEW & PAYMENT OF BILLS: Kartrude stated there was nothing exceptional to report. January this year is ahead of January last year. He plans to begin spending down the cash surplus on budgeted projects. The activity in the Grant Fund was reimbursement from DLCDD for the Heceta Head Conference. Appointment to Budget Committee. Scott confirmed that Al Pazar has agreed to accept appointment to the Budget Committee. He stated that Al brings the unique experience of having served as a port commissioner and he is also a well respected and knowledgeable member of the local fishing industry. In addition, Scott reported he has discussed the other open position on the Committee with Dave Davis of Davis, McCulloch & Holloway and he is willing to serve in that capacity. **MOTION: On the Motion made by Wikstrom, seconded by Wagenschutz, the Board unanimously agreed to appoint Al Pazar and Dave Davis to the Budget Committee. MOTION: On the Motion made by Wikstrom, seconded by Wagenschutz, the Board unanimously approved payment of bills as presented in the amount of \$47,813.65.**

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: ConnectOregon Program Application. Kartrude stated he was seeking authority to submit a grant application for ODOT ConnectOregon program funds. The application proposes a ConnectOregon award of \$343,433 with the provision that \$85,858 will be a loan contract. The Port is pledging \$425,000. **MOTION: On the Motion made by Greene, seconded by Wagenschutz, the Board unanimously authorized the Port Manager to submit an Application for ConnectOregon Program 2005-2006 funds for the Maple Street Landing and Transient Dock Project in the amount of \$343,433, understanding that at least \$85,858 of the requested funding may require a loan contract, and that the Port is pledging matching funds of at least \$425,000.** Kartrude reviewed the program and application with the Board. Each of the five zones in Oregon will receive \$15M with the balance of \$25M available to qualified projects across the state. The project has received the endorsement of the Siuslaw Fisherman's Association, City of Florence and Lane County. The \$425,000 comes from a federal appropriation. Kartrude stated he thought the project would score very high as the project is referenced in the 2004 Lane County Transportation System Plan and the 2002 City of Florence Transportation Systems Plan. The Board complimented Kartrude on the great job he has done in putting this altogether.

REPORTS: Commission. Greene reported on the workshops he attended at the Special Districts Annual Conference in Seaside. He stated one thing he learned was that emailing and

replying to all, i.e. amongst the Board and Manager, constitutes a meeting and must be avoided. He thought the conference was very informative and he learned a lot. He also learned was that it is recommended that Boards not automatically rotate the Chair, that if a Board has a good Chairperson, they can keep them in that office. Buchanan stated it was the first Special Districts conference he had attended and he was very impressed with it. President. Scott appointed Buchanan to serve on the Port's real estate subcommittee. Manager. Kartrude introduced Todd Ryan from the local USCG station and Kevin Moynihan, Division of State Lands Manager for this region who were in the audience. Kartrude reported there is a high probability that Florence Marine Construction has a buyer and that the service will remain on the river. The Port has been awarded a Port Planning & Marketing Fund (PPMF) Grant to finish site certification environmental and cultural survey on the 40 acre site. The OCZMA Telecom project is complete and the website (www.oczma.org) is up. The Port of Siuslaw sponsored this project with a PPMF grant. There was a floating drum near the sport basin that was causing a sheen and Port crew pulled the unlabeled, deteriorated drum out of the water. There was no hazardous exposure during this incident, but Kartrude took the opportunity to run the crew through a HazMat awareness training exercise. Kartrude reported he has been receiving regular communications that the jetties are continuing to deteriorate. It has also been reported that there is shoaling at the buoy which is 150 yards past the tip of the jetties and there is not enough depth for the USCG 47' to operate. He will take that message back to Washington DC with him next month. The Port received the 2006 Outstanding Safety Achievement Award from Special Districts Association at the conference specifically for the gate project on the wharf. Upcoming meetings include DURAC at 1:30 pm on Friday, Rotary on February 21st with the Port on the program, Kick-off campaign for Good Cents for Kids on February 22nd, Budget Workshop in Newport on February 23rd (Weaver will attend), Port Workshop on March 1st (Buchanan out-of-town), Corps Annual Dredging Meeting in Portland on March 16th, Port Workshop on April 5th inviting the Corps. Scott asked about a City of Florence planning workshop on the waterfront zoning. Kartrude stated he would try to get some written testimony in and maybe call on one of the commissioners to go.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, President Scott adjourned the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

President

Secretary