

MINUTES
PORT OF SIUSLAW COMMISSION MEETING
 Wednesday, September 20, 2017, 7:00pm
 100 Harbor Street, Florence, Oregon 97439

These Minutes were approved at the Regular Meeting on October 18, 2017

Commissioners Attending: David Huntington, Nancy Rickard, Mike Buckwald, Bill Meyer
Commissioners Absent: Terry Duman

Staff Attending: Dina McClure, Interim Manager; Kelly Stewart, Interim Administrative Assistant

1. **Vice President David Huntington called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.**
2. **Approval of the Agenda by Consent:** There were no changes to the Agenda.
3. **Public Comment:** There were no public comments.
4. **Approval of Minutes by Consent:** There were no comments and the Minutes were approved by Consent.
 - a. Special Meeting, August 7, 2017
 - b. Work Session, August 16, 2017
 - c. Regular Meeting, August 16, 2017
5. **Approval of the Financials by Consent:** McClure said bills paid in August were \$103,650.02. Rickard asked about the Hiker/Biker occupancy being low. Meyer stated the Cycling America group cancelled the season due to the wildfires and smoke. The Financials were approved by Consent.
6. **Old Business:** There was no Old Business.
7. **New Business:**
 - a. **Discuss Organizational Structure of the Port:** Meyer attended a SDAO New Board Member training in Newport. He shared his conversation with a legal presenter regarding port structure and relationship with the City of Florence.
 Meyer referred to ORS 777.150 as it relates to the port's management structure and how the port may employ engineers, superintendents, mechanics, clerks or other persons as it may find requisite, necessary or convenient and fix their rates of compensation.
 Meyer then read an excerpt of a legal opinion where cities are authorized, and in some cases required, to plan for and regulate development within city boundaries. ORS 227.215 provides that cities are the governmental agency that regulate development of properties within the city. State law provides that special districts are required to abide by a city's land use and building regulations. ORS 227.286 states "City ordinances regulating the location, construction, maintenance, repair, alteration, use and occupancy of land and buildings and other structures shall apply to publicly owned property, except as the ordinances prescribe to the contrary."
 Meyer said if members of the public disagree with port structure or relationship with the city, they can contact the court system to pursue a legal challenge. Meyer concluded that he wants this topic settled and has no doubt that the port is operating in accordance with ORS 777.

b. **Resolution 9-20-17A Authorize Maintenance Vehicle Expenditure:** McClure explained the need to replace one of the Port maintenance trucks.

Motion to Approve Resolution 9-20-17A: Meyer

Second: Rickard

Vote: Unanimous in favor

8a. Manager Reports:

- McClure said she is working on the RFP to find a realtor to market the PVIP property.
- The Trailblazer Rip City Relay performed in the Nopal Street parking lot Tuesday.
- McClure and Rickard attended Lane ACT on Wednesday. The group toured Florence and McClure gave a power point presentation of the Port.
- The Beat Goes On marching band performed on the boardwalk Friday.
- The upgrade for the security cameras and Wi-Fi is almost complete.
- The 1499 Bay Street parking lot was resealed and striped.
- Interviews are in process for a maintenance person.

8b. Commissioner Reports:

- Rickard and McClure attended the Oregon Public Ports Association meeting on August 24.
- Rickard said Lane ACT wants public bus transportation between Eugene and Florence.
- Meyer attended a Chamber of Commerce meeting where they discussed the Siuslaw Estuary Trail and evaluated the Rods and Rhody's Festival.

9. Public Comment:

- Ron Preisler, City Councilor, spoke about the bus transportation between Eugene and Florence.
- Michelle Culwell thanked McClure for following up on her request to start a Port support group. She mentioned Dave Swinney's idea of using the PVIP 40 acres for a National Veterans Cemetery. She also stated that the dumpster on the boardwalk is often full and another dumpster is needed.
- Peter Bartolovich also commented about needing another dumpster at that location.

10. Vice President David Huntington adjourned the meeting at 7:31pm