

MINUTES
PORT OF SIUSLAW COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, July 19, 2023, 7:00pm
Port of Siuslaw Conference Room
100 Harbor St, Florence, OR 97439

Present - Terry Duman, President; Mike Buckwald, Secretary
ZOOM - Bill Meyer, 1st VP, Dale Edwards, Treasurer, Craig Zolezzi, 2nd VP

Call to Order 7:00pm

Public Comment: Mike Allen discussed climate change. He would like to see the Port work closely with the City of Florence and Lane County's action plan.

1. **Oath of Office – Dale Edwards** – Huntington administered the oath of office.
2. **Approval of the Agenda** – Duman added a discussion of the dredge spoils site
3. **Siletz Anglers Assoc – Scott Amerman**
Northwest and Southwest Zone Chinook bag limit reductions – Amerman said he has fished the Siuslaw for years. He said he fought the ODF&W when they wanted to close the Siuslaw for fishing for no reason. He said their counts of the fish are incorrect and most of the people at ODF&W are anti-fishing. He has fought them for several years now. Amerman is filing a class action lawsuit against ODF&W and would like the Port's support and be a litigant. Amerman will have his attorney to draft a letter for the Port to sign and there will be no costs to the Port. Edwards asked if there were any other Ports that are litigants? Amerman said no Ports but lots of other entities. Duman and Buckwald said they are on board but need paperwork from the attorney. Meyer also wants it reviewed by our attorney.
4. **Approval of the Minutes by consent**
5. **Approval of the Financials by consent – Stewart said** checks printed in June were \$100,947.73 and Occupancy for the Campground was down 1% from last year and moorage was down 5% from last year.
6. **Assigning Commission Officers, approval of meeting schedule for FY23-24 and Committee Assignments.** Buckwald motioned to leave the Commission officers the same with Edwards being the treasurer. Second by Meyer and vote was unanimous. Motion was made by Meyer to accept the meeting schedule for FY23-24. Second by Buckwald and vote was unanimous. Committee assignments were as follows, LCOG is Duman and Buckwald, OCZMA is Edwards, OPPA is Meyer, SWC is Meyer, PNWA is Zolezzi, FURA is Zolezzi, PCC is Huntington and Edwards, SDAO is Stewart and WLEOG is McCann.
7. Duman wants a general consensus from the Commission regarding the spoils pit elevation. He said leaving four (4) feet of sand for elevation will not be enough for a decent view of the river. Duman said it showed all go. Meyer said he will take a look at it and let Duman know. Duman said we would be losing a lot of area for a driveway in and out and become a burden.
8. **Manager and Commissioner Reports** – Huntington said there is an individual that would like to rent some spots in our 1499 parking lot. He said we are having some issues with the coffee shop and BJ's. The Commission decided to not rent spots but to put a sign up for public parking compliments of the Port.

Adjourn 7:45pm