MINUTES

PORT OF SIUSLAW COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday February 21, 2018, 7:00pm 100 Harbor Street, Florence, Oregon 97439

These Minutes were approved at the Regular Meeting on March 21, 2018.

Commissioners Attending: Terry Duman, Nancy Rickard, Bill Meyer, Mike Buckwald, David Huntington **Staff Attending:** Dina McClure, Interim Manager; Kelly Stewart, Interim Administrative Assistant, Tracey David, Harbormaster.

- 1. President Duman called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
- 2. Approval of the Agenda: There were no comments and the agenda was approved.

3. Public Comment:

- Jay Cable said the handicap space in the parking lot is not easily accessible to the sidewalk. He would like to see the concrete cut and a small slab poured to make it easier. Cable would also like to have two (2) hour parking limit signs put along the sidewalk facing the river. Duman said that would be hard to enforce. Cable mentioned the letter to the Port that was in the newspaper. He said it was scathing and had no regard for the Port or the values of the surrounding properties. He said none of it was true and was fiction at best. Meyer said some of the complaints may have happened at one point or another, but to say it's a chronic problem was a disservice to the Port, property values and community. Ron Priesler (from the audience) said the only way to counter that is to write a letter refuting it.
- Jeff Amundson said that as of the first of the year, Oregon put a law into effect that communities can develop an access route to an off road riding area and we are the gateway to the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area. Amundson is looking for the Ports support for Florence to allow side by side ATV's on certain streets to the South Beach staging areas. See attached presentation.
- **4. Approval of the Minutes:** There were no comments and the minutes were approved by consent.
- **5. Approval of the Financials:** McClure said there were some changes in the balance sheet due to journal entries from the Auditor and she is waiting for contact back. McClure says we are over budget in Capital Outlay and there is a resolution to correct that later in this meeting. We are moving forward on the Mo's Building repairs. The Attorney has review Lofy's Construction contract and has been forwarded to the bond company. Repairs should start in a couple weeks. McClure said Prader withdrew his roofing bid due to being booked and we will still need to address those repairs. McClure said campground occupancy is 54% up from 47% last year. Staff will be working on a budget draft and we have 2 vacancies for the budget committee. Financials were approved by consent.

Old Business:

- **6. Update Erosion Repair Project:** McClure said Akin sent the joint permit application to DSL and Corp of Engineers in January for a pre-application review. The final joint permit application has not been submitted yet. McClure said Akin is shooting for April for the two week construction and he plans on getting in touch with Business Oregon to obtain 100% funding for the project.
- **7. Discuss Public Input Committees:** McClure says we now need to discuss forming committees. Meyer would like to wait until we have a manager or interim manager. Duman agreed saying ultimately it will be the new manager making the decisions. Board members agreed to put this on hold for now.

New Business:

8. Resolution 2-21-18A Appropriations Transfer: Duman read the resolution.

Motion: To approve resolution 2-21-18A, by Meyer

Second: Rickard **Vote:** Unanimous

Manager and Commissioner Reports:

- McClure met with Dina Plavis and Russ Pierson who belong to a group called Vision Quest. They are putting together a plan called "Live like a local". They are planning events around town and would like the Port's involvement. McClure also stated she will not be attending the PNWA meeting in Washington DC and wanted to know if a Commissioner would like to go. Duman said we will cancel this year. McClure said the USCG shed will be demolished in the next couple weeks. There are no plans to rebuild at this time. Meyer said he has heard a complaint about one of the lights on the pole by the USCG shed shining directly into one of the condo windows. McClure will address it. We have just purchased a shed for janitor supplies per OSHA. Terra Firma came today and gave us a quote to repair the sidewalks around the property, which is a safety issue, at about \$3400.00. It would be guaranteed for five years and there is money in the facilities budget for that. McClure said we are also reconstructing our website which is outdated and not smart phone friendly. McClure also showed the Commission a proof of the "Welcome to the Port of Siuslaw" sign to be put in Mariners Plaza. The cost for the sign is about \$2700.00. Meyer would like to see something more nautical for the posts supporting the sign.
- Rickard went to Watershed in Mapleton regarding science camps. She also went to a City Council meeting
 and Lane ACT. Rickard will be going to LCOG meeting in Eugene and a Watershed meeting at the end of
 the month.
- Meyer went to part of the SDAO conference in Seaside.
- Huntington went to the SDAO conference in Seaside. He said it was very informative and all Commissioners should attend a conference.
- Duman asked about the security gates project. McClure said we are working on the type of gates and prices. It is complicated.
- **9. Public Comment:** Len Christensen said he met with Chief Turner last Friday and voiced some concerns with people walking the docks at night. Chief Turner said they are going to make more of a presence for the docks and campground. There was some concern regarding the hours that the docks are closed.
- 10. Duman closed the regular session at 8:04pm to enter into Executive Session per ORS 192.660(2)(e) to conduct deliberations with persons designated to negotiate real property transactions and per ORS 192.660(2)(a) to review Port Manager applications.