MINUTES PORT OF SIUSLAW COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, March 20, 2024, 7:00pm Port of Siuslaw Conference Room 100 Harbor St, Florence, OR 97439

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

Call to Order 7:02pm

Public Comment: none

1. Approval of the Agenda by consent

2. Approval of the Minutes by consent

3. Approval of the Financials by consent – Stewart said Checks printed in January were \$175,209.88, \$80,000 of that was insurance. Occupancy for the Campground was down 2% from last year and moorage was up 9% from last year. At the last meeting, Buckwald wanted to know the bank statement balances as of 6-30-23 to compare to the budget. Stewart said the general fund balance was \$2,435,263.02 and the capitol maintenance fund balance was \$276,442.71. Buckwald said that was close to the budget amount.

- 4. Local Government Law Group Huntington said Zolezzi has contacted them regarding our legal services. Zolezzi says they work with public entities and there are six of them. Zolezzi also talked with Spencer Rockwell from Special Districts and they said it's a great law firm. He also said that because of time constraints, we wouldn't have to send out RFP's. The Commission said to move forward with them, but continue looking for an alternative. Duman wanted to know if they have a retainer and Zolezzi said no and directed to the pay rates. Zolezzi said the problem we could run into is that they also represent the City of Florence. Motion was made by Meyer to appoint them as general council for the time but continue searching. Second by Zolezzi and vote was unanimous.
- 5. Manager and Commissioner Reports Huntington said Ercolini contacted him again regarding putting a play structure on the Port Boardwalk. Meyer said he hates to give up that space. Ercolini suggested replacing the old log bronc with a play structure as the log bronc has safety issues. Huntington said the log bronc was never intended as a play structure. Duman said it's part of the Port's history and we should have a sign or plaque explaining what it is and was used for. The Commission decided to not go with a new play structure but to also do repairs to the log bronc.

Duman asked if anyone was making comments on the commercial prices be raised to recreational prices and Huntington said no. We still have the lowest prices around. H said budget time is here and we will be working on that. Duman asked about Mo's roof and Huntington said we are waiting for better weather and that we have a contractor ready to go.

Adjourn 7:35pm