

April 20, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Port District No. Two of Wahkiakum County, Washington was held on the above date with Board President Brian O'Connor presiding. Also in attendance were Commissioner Austin Burkhalter, Commissioner Allen Bennett, Manager Jeff Smith, Attorney Timothy Hanigan, Secretary Oksana Tsybikova, Secretary Katie Thomas, Port 2 Assistant Terina Davis, Sherriff Mark Howie, and Undersheriff Gary Howell. Public attendance was made through Zoom teleconference.

The meeting commenced at 5:02 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Sherriff Howie mentioned wanting to connect with the port to become good partners. Discussion ensued regarding the shooting at Skamokawa Vista Park including some details of the chase and questioning of several campers. Commissioner O'Connor questioned the most logical way to fix the problem, since this is not the first-time bullets have been going through tents. Discussion ensued.

Sheriff Howie and Undersheriff Howell exited the meeting at 5:24 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approve March 16, 2021 regular minutes

Commissioner Bennett made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of the March 16, 2021 regular meeting. Commissioner Burkhalter seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

Approve Vouchers

Commissioner Burkhalter made a motion to approve voucher numbers 2021-081—2021-113 in the amount of \$27,583.40 and Commissioner Bennett seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

Shooting 4/12/21

Commissioner O'Connor suggested people should be aware of the location where the shooting happened.

Resolution 2021-05 Adopting Amendments to the Districts Comprehensive plan

Commissioner O'Connor opened the comprehensive hearing at 5:27 p.m. There was no public comment. The comprehensive hearing was closed at 5:28 p.m.

Commissioner Bennett made a motion to approve the Resolution 2021-05 Adopting Amendments to the Districts Comprehensive Plan, and Commissioner Burkhalter seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

Resolution 2021-06 Declaring Surplus Property

Commissioner Burkhalter made a motion to approve the Resolution 2021-06 Surplus Property, and Commissioner Bennett seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

Svenson Rules:

Manager Smith reported that the Port does not currently have any rules or guidelines for Svenson Park. Discussion ensued.

Annual Boat Pass Rules:

Commissioner O' Connor questioned if the guests at the park could park anywhere, or if there is a specific place for them to park their boats at. Manager Smith stated that the guests would usually park by their camp sites. Boat launch permits are available for purchase usually valid from January 1st to December 31st of the current year, which most guests know. Manager Smith mentioned having the rules written down in written form to limit any arguments that could arise between guests.

Manager Comments and Updates:

Irrigation update:

Manager Smith reported that the contactors who were lined up for the 1st have backed out. Discussion ensued regarding the new bids with 15 different contractors and when the project would start.

Charging for water:

Manager Smith reported that the sales figures for March and April were the best sales figures for any March and April in history. Discussion ensued regarding the issue with locals who are not camping at the park taking water from the park resulting in an increase in the usage of water. Manager Smith proposed creating a water station by the office along with a usage fee.

PUD Tree Trimming:

Manager Smith reported that the PUD came to Skamokawa Vista Park and took down several trees by the powerlines as a courtesy. Manager Smith mentioned that the Champs Tree Service will come next week to cut down the other trees, and the PUD dropped a powerline so Champs can work safely removing the trees.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Burkhalter talked to Manager Smith about opening the meeting to the public with the appropriate occupancy. Commissioner O' Connor does not have any objections regarding this idea. Discussion ensued.

Executive Session:

The regular meeting was recessed at 5:53 p.m. for a two minute break.

The board entered into executive session for twenty minutes to discuss potential litigation per RCW 42.30.11 (1) (i) There is no decision expected.

ADJOURNMENT:

The board exited executive session at 6:15 p.m. The regular meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of April 20, 2021.

Brian O'Connor, President

Austin Burkhalter, Vice-President

Allen Bennett, Secretary