

September 17, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Port District No. Two of Wahkiakum County, Washington was held on the above date with Commissioner Austin Burkhalter presiding. Also in attendance were Commissioner Kylie Thacker, Manager Terina Davis, Attorney Timothy Hanigan, Secretary Katie Thomas, and Skamokawa resident Kay Walters.

The general public attended by Zoom teleconference.

The meeting commenced at 3:30 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

County resident Kay Walters commented Terina is doing a good job.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

***Approve Minutes of August 20, 2024, Meeting***

Commissioner Thacker moved to approve the regular meeting minutes from August 20, 2024, as submitted and Commissioner Burkhalter seconded. The motion passed 2-0.

***Approve Vouchers***

Commissioner Burkhalter commented it was a large insurance payment this month. Commissioner Thacker questioned the Bonfire bankcard fees, and Manager Davis confirmed those are bank fees for the credit card. Commissioner Thacker moved to approve voucher numbers 2024-298—2024-347 through August 31, 2024, in the amount of \$105,253.15 and Commissioner Burkhalter seconded. The motion passed 2-0.

***Approve Payment to Wahkiakum County Treasurer in the Amount of \$11,502.07 for Interest Owned on Current Loans***

Attorney Hanigan commented the interest payment will make it easier for the Treasurer to consolidate the two loans. The next payment will be due in September 2025. Commissioner Thacker moved to approve the loan payment in the amount of \$11,502.07 and Commissioner Burkhalter seconded. There was no public comment at that time. The motion passed 2-0.

***Recommend Commissioner for Advertising Purposes***

Attorney Hanigan commented he spoke with Russ Reese this morning, and the commissioners will have to nominate someone prior to advertising. Nominating someone does not preclude anyone else from applying. Commissioner Thacker nominated Puget

Island resident Russ Reese as Port 2 Commissioner Position #1 and Commissioner Burkhalter seconded. The motion passed 2-0.

## **MANAGER - COMMENTS & UPDATES**

### ***Kite Festival***

Manager Davis reported the Kite Festival had a good turnout with six kite-flyers, one being a 24-time World Cup winner. The Duck Inn was among the few vendors that showed up. Discussion ensued.

### ***Vista Park Office Hours (Winter Months)***

Manager Davis commented they are down to four employees now. In an effort to save money, she suggested closing the office on weekends, starting with Saturdays in October. By November its mostly just hunters in the park, and the park host can help them. Manager Davis reported the office needs to be open a minimum of 30 hours during the weekdays for public records requests, and suggested 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Discussion ensued.

### ***Vista Park Day Use Hours***

Manager Davis reported the current day-use hours are from 7:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m., but recommended adjusting the hours from dawn to dusk. She explained it's not a good idea to wait until 10:00 p.m. in the winter-time to check to see what someone is up to. Discussion ensued.

### ***Coffee Pot Island Dredging***

Attorney Hanigan explained the Army Corps of Engineers are hosting a presentation regarding dredge spoils and asked if the commissioners were in favor of accepting the spoils for Coffee Pot Island. Discussion ensued. Both commissioners were in favor of accepting the dredge spoils to be deposited on Coffee Pot Island.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:53 p.m.

The next meeting will be October 15, 2024, at 3:30 p.m. at the Appello Annex in Skamokawa, Washington.

Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of September 17, 2024.

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**Austin Burkhalter**, Commissioner

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**Kylie Thacker**, Commissioner