

February 18, 2025

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, Commissioner Russ Reese, Manager Terina Davis, Attorney Timothy Hanigan, Secretary Nadia Goldinov, Director of Cowlitz/Wahkiakum Council of Governments Bill Fashing, and County residents Kay Walters, Karen Bertroch, and Susan Amala.

The general public attended by Zoom teleconference.

The meeting commenced at 2:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments at that time.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approve Minutes of January 21, 2025 Meeting

Commissioner Thacker moved to approve the regular meeting minutes from January 21, 2025, as submitted, and Commissioner Reese seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

Approve Vouchers dated through January 31, 2025

Commissioner Thacker made a motion to approve voucher numbers 2025-001—2025-021 through January 31, 2025, in the amount of \$27,828.26, and Commissioner Reese seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

MANAGER - COMMENTS & UPDATES

CWCOG Membership Renewal

Bill Fashing, Director of Cowlitz/Wahkiakum Council of Governments (CWCOG), provided a brief presentation on what benefits a CWCOG membership could do for Port Two. Mr. Fashing explained that the regional information forum discusses the issues, challenges, and successes in the area. Manager Davis stated that membership information was sent out to everyone for review. Discussion ensued.

Manager Davis commented that there are a few interests in renting the Annex. The CWCOG and Chamber of Commerce rented it out for a grant writing class in late January, and the Chamber of Commerce is renting it out again at the end of February for a business workshop. The Wahkiakum Animal Advocates Group (WAAG) is also trying to coordinate with a vet clinic to bring animals in for vaccinations.

Manager Davis reported that Port Two is cleaning up the park including removing blackberries, tree trimming, and getting camping sites ready.

Manager Davis reported that she completed Part One and Two of supervisor training. Part Three training is scheduled to happen next month.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

There were no commissioner comments at that time.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

County resident Karen Bertoch would like to encourage Port 2 to think about what they could do recreationally out on the west end of the county. There are many different opportunities, including better signage, bike/horse trails, swimming, and events. Discussion ensued.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 2:34 p.m.

The next meeting will be March 18, 2025, at 2:00 p.m., at the Appello Annex in Skamokawa, Washington.

Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of February 18, 2025.

Austin Burkhalter, Commissioner

Kylie Thacker, Commissioner

Russ Reese, Commissioner