

July 15, 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 Russ Reese, Commissioner Mary Hogue, Manager Terina Davis, Attorney Timothy Hanigan, Secretary Nadia Goldinov, and County resident Kay Walters.

The general public attended by Zoom teleconference.

The meeting commenced at 2:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

County resident Kay Walters proposed an idea to Port District No. Two about potentially partnering with the Wahkiakum County Fair Grounds for the Christmas lightings in December. They will have a guide take the public to see the Christmas lights down at the County Fair Grounds, and then bring them over to Vista Park to see the Christmas lights there. Manager Davis commented the Port can definitely think about it and work something out with the fair.

OLD BUSINESS:

Electrical update for Loop upgrade

Manager Davis stated that Commissioner Hogue found an electrical company to come down and take a look at the electrical in the park. Manager Davis commented that the cost to put in the new service would be about \$30.00 per foot to trench and install it. She is looking into the idea of possibly having Port District No. Two do the trenching themselves, and then have the electrical company install the new service. Discussion ensued. Manager Davis commented she would have more of an update next time once she gets more information.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approve Minutes of June 17, 2025 Meeting

Commissioner Reese moved to approve the regular meeting minutes from June 17, 2025, as submitted, and Commissioner Hogue seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

Approve Vouchers dated through June 30, 2025

Commissioner Reese made a motion to approve voucher numbers 2025-130—2025-154 through June 30, 2025, in the amount of \$38,951.59, and Commissioner Hogue seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Special Meeting Compensation

Manager Davis discussed the commissioner special meeting compensation. She commented that in years past, commissioners would waive their compensation for special meetings. It is completely voluntary, and if one of the commissioners decides they want to sign a waiver of compensation, she has copies of the waivers for them to sign.

MANAGER - COMMENTS & UPDATES

Manager Davis stated the Port has hired park hosts for the Svenson Boat Launch out on Puget Island. The park hosts are a local couple that moved away a few years ago and recently moved back to town. Discussion ensued.

Manager Davis commented there was an incident that occurred earlier this morning. One of the Port staff, coming back from mowing the Covered Bridge Area out in Grays River, accidentally hit a deer with the pickup truck. The truck is currently in the Port's shop waiting for an insurance adjuster to come out and take a look at it. Once the insurance adjuster looks at it, they will decide where to go from there.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Burkhalter thanked Commissioner Hogue with her help in locating an electrical company to come down and take a look at the electrical in the park.

Commissioner Reese asked Manager Davis if she will be reaching out to other electrical companies in regards to the electrical in the park. Manager Davis commented that since she now has an approximate ballpark to go off of, she will definitely be reaching out to other companies to compare costs and fees.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Commissioner Burkhalter recessed the regular meeting and entered into executive session at 2:15 p.m. for 15 minutes to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price per RCW 42.30.110(1)(b).

Commissioner Burkhalter recessed the executive session and re-entered the regular meeting at 2:30 p.m. to add five more minutes.

Commissioner Burkhalter recessed the regular meeting and re-entered into executive session at 2:30 p.m.

Commissioner Burkhalter closed the executive session and re-entered the regular meeting at 2:35 p.m.

There was no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

The next meeting will be August 19, 2025, at 2:00 p.m., at the Appello Annex in Skamokawa, Washington.

Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of July 15, 2025.

Austin Burkhalter, Commissioner

Mary Hogue, Commissioner

Russ Reese, Commissioner