



**MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING  
Held April 20, 2026**

The April 20, 2026, Business Meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m., by President Grubenhoff. The meeting was held at the Port of Sunnyside's Administration Office located at 2405 Reith Way, Suite 1, Sunnyside, WA.

**Commissioners and Staff present:**

Jim Grubenhoff, Commission President  
Tyler Schilperoort, Commission Vice President  
Arnold Martin, Commission Secretary  
Rob Faber, Legal Counsel

Lucia Navarro, Executive Director  
Delilah Saenz, Finance Director  
Jasmine Chavez, Admin Assistant

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner President Grubenhoff led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**GUESTS:**

Vanessa Cervantes – Whispering Wires Ranch Custom Butchery  
Reagan Hernandez – Whispering Wires Ranch Custom Butchery

**GUEST COMMENTS:**

Vanessa provided comments regarding her opposition to the Sunnyside RNG project. Vanessa urged officials to visit the site and consider community impacts.

Reagan stated that she opposed the proposed RNG project. As the manager for a nearby butcher shop, she believes this project may have negative impacts on their business operations. She asked commissioners to reconsider moving forward with this project.

**DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS:**

**Executive Director**

- **CSD Attorneys** – The Port has elected to hire CSD Attorneys to assist with matters related to Pacific Ag.
- **CSD Attorneys** – The Port has elected to hire CSD Attorneys to assist with public records request.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- Motion to approve the consent agenda which includes minutes of the Business Meeting held on April 6, 2026. Payroll issued on April 3, 2026, in the amount of \$59,730.62. Payables issued on April 10, 2026, in the amount of \$282,239.67 totaling \$341,970.29. Commissioner Martin moved to approve; Commissioner Schilperoort seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

- Motion to approve and ratify the hiring of CSD Attorneys at Law for the Pacific Ag transaction and related elements. Commissioner Schilperoort moved to approve; Commissioner Martin seconded. Motion approved 3-0.
- Motion to approve and ratify the hiring of CSD Attorneys at Law for public records request support. Commissioner Martin moved to approve; Commissioner Schilperoort seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

**STAFF COMMENTS:** None

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:** None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

The Executive Session was opened at 5:35 p.m. by President Grubenhoff to discuss Real Estate, Personnel and Legal issues as allowed by RCW 42.30.110 Subsections C, G, and I, respectively. The session was expected to last 20 minutes with no action expected. The session ended at 5:55 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Business Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m., peace and harmony prevailing.

**ATTEST:**

  
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Jim Grubenhoff, President

  
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Arnold Martin, Secretary