

PORT OF SUNNYSIDE MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING

Held September 16, 2013

The September 16, 2013 Business Meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by President Martin. The meeting was held at the Port of Sunnyside Administration Office at 2640 E. Edison Ave. Suite #1, Sunnyside, WA.

Commissioners and Staff present at the Business Meeting:
Arnold Martin, Jim Grubenhoff, Jeff Matson, Commissioners;
Jay Hester, Executive Director;
Jed Crowther, Property, Development & Project Manager;
Robert Farrell, Engineer;
Gary Holwegner, Sprayfield Manager;
Vernita Coffey, Administrative Assistant; and
Steve Winfree, Port Legal Counsel

List of guests available on request.

OPEN LEVY HEARING: Tax Levy Hearing was called to order at 5:18 p.m. by President Martin. Steve Winfree explained the reason for the hearing. Mr. Winfree inquired if the Port had received oral or written comments regarding the proposed 2013 budget. Jay replied that none had been received. Commissioner Martin asked for comments or questions from the audience, hearing none, President Martin closed the tax levy hearing at 5:20 p.m.

PROPERTY, DEVELOPMENT & PROJECT MANAGER: Jed Crowther presented a written report (written report available upon request).

PORT ENGINEER: Robert Farrell presented a written report and the following items were discussed; (written report available upon request).

- Bob reported on the Section 206 Wetland and the Anaerobic Pretreatment System. The Commissioners commended Bob on a good job regarding the issues and especially the history.

SPRAYFIELD MANAGER: Gary Holwegner presented a written report and the following items were discussed; (written report available upon request).

- Gary reported that the fields along Mabton Highway are coming along and Field G is looking good. The nice weather is helping.

NOTICE ITEMS:

Small Ports Seminar, Enzian Inn, Leavenworth, October 17-18, 2013

Annual WPPA Meeting, Hotel Murano, Tacoma, November 20-22, 2013

ACTION ITEMS:

Commissioner Grubenhoff has noted that he has always recused himself from discussion and voting on the payments to Harold's Repair & Rental, LLC because of his ownership interest in the company, and declared that his recusal from discussion and voting shall be in effect for all future payables or other matters between the Port and the company, and the recusal shall continue until withdrawn by him.

- The consent agenda includes minutes of the Port Business Meeting held on September 4, 2013 and payables in the amount of \$188,841.79 issued on September 10, 2013 and payroll in the amount of \$41,044.20 issued on September 5, 2013 totaling \$229,885.99. Commissioner Matson moved to approve, Commissioner Grubenhoff seconded, motion carried.
- Accept the bid with Bestebreur Bros. Construction in the amount of \$13,633.17 for part of the cleanup at the Carnation Property site after the contractor receives appropriate certification and the Port receives approval from Maul, Foster and Alongi and authorize Jed Crowther to sign on behalf of the Port.
- Approve irrigated farm lease of 178 acres located on Veiga Property to Jim Cuddy at \$200.00 per acre plus leasehold, irrigation and assessments for five years and authorize Jed Crowther to sign on behalf of the Port.
- Approve irrigated farm lease of 150 acres located on Emerald Road Property to Jim Cuddy at \$200.00 per acre plus leasehold, irrigation and assessments for 5 years and authorize Jed Crowther to sign on behalf of the Port.
- Approve irrigated farm lease of 78.13 acres located on E. Edison Road to Randy Schutt at \$225.00 per acre plus leasehold, irrigation and assessments for 5 years and authorize Jed Crowther to sign on behalf of the Port.
- Approve irrigated farm lease of 33.5 acres located on Ray Road to Rick Nading at \$200.00 per acre plus leasehold, irrigation and assessments for 5 years and authorize Jed Crowther to sign on behalf of the Port.
- Approve irrigated farm lease of 21.0 acres located at Clark Property to Tony Schwab at \$125.00 per acre plus leasehold, irrigation and assessments for 5 years and authorize Jed Crowther to sign on behalf of the Port.

Commissioner Grubenhoff moved to approve all five leases as presented; two for Jim Cuddy, one for Randy Schutt, one for Rick Nading and one for Tony Schwab, Commissioner Matson seconded, motion carried.

GENERAL COMMENTS:

Staff Comments:

Vernita read a thank you note from Jeanne Farrell for the flowers sent to her by the Port following her surgery.

Jay stated that he would be out of the office for part of the day this Wednesday, Sept. 18th to attend a funeral.

Commissioner Comments:

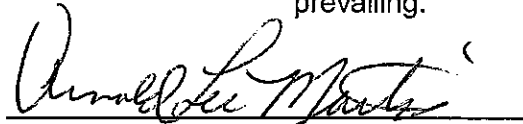
Commissioner Grubenhoff commented that he was happy to see signs up around the city in support for Steve Winfree for the Sunnyside School Board

Commissioner Matson inquired on the status of the airport covenants.

Citizen Comments: None


EXECUTIVE SESSION: Executive session was called to order at 5:38 p.m. by President Martin to discuss personnel and real estate as allowed by RCW 42.30.110 subsections G & C respectively. Session was expected to last 20 minutes. Session closed at 5:58 p.m., with no action required.

ADJOURNMENT: The Business Meeting was adjourned at 5:59 p.m., peace and harmony prevailing.



Arnold Martin, President

ATTEST:



Jeff Matson, Secretary

