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Minutes
Regular Meeting of the
PORT OF CENTRALIA
July 3, 2024
Port of Centralia Administrative Office & Via Teleconference
3:00 PM

Attendees: Commissioners: Kyle Markstrom, Julie Shaffley, and Peter Lahmann
Port Staff: Kyle Heaton, Executive Director; Amy Graber, Director of Finance
Public: Jan Banevich; Paul Crowner; and Cynthia Mudge
Teleconference: 8 unknown callers

1) **Call Meeting to Order/Introductions:** Commissioner Markstrom called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2) **Approval of Agenda:** Commissioner Lahmann made a motion to approve the amended July 3, 2024, agenda as submitted. Commissioner Shaffley seconded the motion. The motion carried.

3) **Good of the Order/Public Comment:** Commissioner Markstrom opened the meeting to public comment and stated the rules regarding public comment.

   Cynthia Mudge, executive director of the Centralia-Chehalis Chamber of Commerce, announced several upcoming Chamber events.

   Jan Banevich, of Centralia, commented on social media. Commissioner Markstrom asked Jan Banevich to keep her comments to Port business per the Port's policies.

   Paul Crowner, of Centralia, commented on the Skookumchuck Commerce Center and asked about the Port's stance on the project. Commissioner Markstrom replied that the Port's counsel will review the project and the Port will provide comment during the SEPA process.

4) **Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Shaffley made a motion to approve the June 5, 2024, regular meeting minutes and June 20, 2024, special meeting minutes. Commissioner Lahmann seconded the motion. The motion carried.

5) **Approval of Warrants:** Commissioner Lahmann made a motion to approve warrants 23807 through 23850 with an aggregate amount of $127,429.44. Commissioner Shaffley seconded the motion. The motion carried.

   Commissioner Lahmann commented that for Warrant #23833 to Amber Lewis Consulting, he has never been provided a report and stated that he has not seen any reference to what the $40,500.00 per year fee was providing the Port. Kyle Heaton replied that Amber Lewis had secured $10.4 million from the Washington State Legislature over the previous 5 to 6 years for Port projects.

6) **New Business:**

   a) **I-5/Mellen Street Connector – Stage 2 – Change Order #6:** Commissioner Lahmann made a motion to approve Change Order #6 in the amount of $46,172.00 with Scarsella Brothers for the I-5/Mellen Street Connector Stage 2 project. Commissioner Shaffley seconded the motion. The motion carried.

   Commissioner Markstrom opened the agenda item for public comment. There was no public comment made.

   Commissioner Reports: Commissioner Lahmann reported that he attended a Centralia City Council meeting and a couple of Lewis County Board of County Commissioners meetings. He thanked Commissioner Markstrom, Kyle Heaton, and staff for the June 20, 2024, Art Lehman Avenue dedication reception.

   Commissioner Shaffley thanked everyone who attended the June 20, 2024, Art Lehman Avenue dedication reception. She announced an upcoming community event.

   Commissioner Markstrom reported that he attended a .09 Committee meeting.

7) **Adjourn:** Commissioner Shaffley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:13 p.m. Commissioner Lahmann seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMISSIONER **COMMISSIONER**