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Minutes
Regular Meeting of the
PORT OF CENTRALIA
June 17, 2026
Port of Centralia Administrative Office & Via Teleconference
3:00 PM

Attendees: Commissioners: Peter Lahmann and Ally Pickard
Port Staff: Amy Graber, Executive Director; Erin Maloney, Port Auditor
Public: Jan Banevich and Mark Faas
Teleconference: 7 remote attendees

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

2) **Approval of Agenda:** Commissioner Pickard made a motion to approve the June 17, 2026, agenda. Commissioner Lahmann seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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

   Jan Banevich, of Centralia, provided public comment. Commissioner Lahmann noted that written public comment had been submitted by Deb Parnham.

4) **Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Pickard made a motion to approve the June 3, 2026, regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Lahmann seconded the motion. The motion carried.

5) **Approval of Warrants:** Commissioner Pickard made a motion to approve warrants 24994 through 25026 with an aggregate amount of $120,542.08. Commissioner Lahmann seconded the motion. The motion carried.

6) **Old Business:**

   a) Vision and Strategies for Industrial Development in the UGA: Amy Graber and Commissioner Pickard gave brief reports on the latest meeting with the City of Centralia and Lewis County regarding Industrial Development in the UGA and the draft proposal to the City and the County regarding a resolution to the mediation efforts.

   Commissioner Pickard made a motion to approve the proposal letter to the City of Centralia and Lewis County in resolution to mediation. Commissioner Lahmann seconded the motion.

   Commissioner Lahmann opened the agenda item for public comment. Mark Faas provided public comment.

   The motion carried.

7) **New Business:**

a) Railroad Easement Agreement: Amy Graber gave a brief overview of the railroad easement with Puget Sound and Pacific Railroad at 2904 Foron Road and 3113 Foron Road for the construction of two additional rail extensions to alleviate train dwell at Reynolds Road.

Commissioner Pickard made a motion to approve the Permanent Railroad Easement Agreement with Puget Sound and Pacific Railroad and to authorize the Executive Director to sign. Commissioner Lahmann seconded the motion.

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

The motion carried.

b) District 1 Commissioner Vacancy: Amy Graber presented the timeline for the District 1 Commissioner appointment process. Erin Maloney said that the application and more information could be found on the Port's website. Amy Graber noted that the deadline for application submissions is June 29, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

8) **Essential Updates:**

a) Executive Director Report: Amy Graber gave a brief overview of the 9th Amendment to Real Estate Purchase & Sale Agreement with NWIW1. She added that she has heard Chick-fil-A submitted for their building permit with the City of Centralia. Amy Graber reported that the Long Road vacation had been recorded by the City of Centralia.

b) Commissioner Reports: Commissioner Pickard requested Commissioner Lahmann get in touch with a constituent that had approached her regarding traffic questions and concerns on Harrison Avenue. She noted the importance of entry-level jobs, as well as higher paying jobs, for the young adults entering the workforce.

Commissioner Lahmann discussed the potential partnership with contractors and students to introduce them to construction jobs.

i) Commissioner Committee Assignments: The Commissioners agreed to appoint Ally Pickard to the .09 Committee and Amy Graber to the Centralia-Chehalis Chamber of Commerce.

9) **Adjourn:** Commissioner Pickard made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Lahmann seconded the motion. The motion carried. Commissioner Lahmann adjourned the meeting at 4:01 p.m.

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COMMISSIONER

Ally Pickard
COMMISSIONER