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Minutes
Regular Meeting of the
PORT OF CENTRALIA
May 1, 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
Port Counsel: Ray Liaw, Van Ness Feldman
Press: Owen Sexton, The Chronicle
Public: Scott Tennant; Jan Banevich; Gary Odegaard; Dave Nunn; Cynthia Mudge; Brian Dow; and Shelley Snelson
Teleconference: 6 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 May 1, 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.

   Jan Banevich, of Centralia, stated that she was still waiting for a response to her comment from the previous meeting.

   Cynthia Mudge, executive director of the Centralia-Chehalis Chamber of Commerce, thanked the Port for sponsoring Top 25 Centralia and Chehalis High School students for the Rob Fuller Scholarship Luncheon that otherwise would not have been able to attend.

4) **Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Shaffley made a motion to approve the April 17, 2024, regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Markstrom seconded the motion. Commissioner Lahmann opposed the motion. The motion carried.

   Commissioner Lahmann stated that the minutes did not accurately reflect his comments and discussions in the previous meeting. He declined to make a motion to amend the minutes.

5) **Approval of Warrants:** Commissioner Lahmann made a motion to approve warrants 23720 through 23743 with an aggregate amount of $480,542.38. Commissioner Shaffley seconded the motion. The motion carried.

6) **New Business:**

   a) **Executive Director Report:** Kyle Heaton announced that WinCo Foods has moved onsite to begin construction at Centralia Station. He said that invitations to the June 20, 2024,

ceremony welcoming WinCo will be mailed the following week. He gave a brief overview of ongoing tenant improvements. He also reminded the public to remain off active construction sites for safety reasons.

b) **Commissioner Reports:** Commissioner Lahmann asked about the Port policy review he had previously requested. He reported that he had attended a Pacific Mountain Workforce Development Council board meeting. He added that the Port should be proactive in the pre-planning process of the new Sandra Avenue/Harrison Avenue intersection.

Commissioner Shaffley read aloud the Port engineer's response to Commissioner Lahmann's previous concerns about the barricades at Centralia Station. She also announced that the Centralia Rotary was celebrating its 104th anniversary.

Commissioner Markstrom had nothing to report.

7) **Adjourn:** Commissioner Shaffley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:20 p.m. Commissioner Lahmann seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMISSIONER **COMMISSIONER**