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Minutes
Regular Meeting of the
PORT OF CENTRALIA
September 2, 2026
Port of Centralia Administrative Office & Via Teleconference
3:00 PM

Attendees: Commissioners: Peter Lahmannm (via teleconference), Joel Cummins, and Ally Pickard
Port Staff: Amy Graber, Executive Director; Erin Maloney, Port Auditor; Noel Vazquez, Facilities Director
Public: Jan Banevich; Juanita MacNaughton; Mark Faas; Brian Dow; and Gary Odegaard
Teleconference: 4 remote attendees

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

2) **Oath of Office – Joel Cummins:** Port Auditor Erin Maloney ceremonially swore into office Commissioner Cummins.

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

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

   Mark Faas, of Centralia; Brian Dow, of Centralia; Gary Odegaard, of Centralia; and Jan Banevich, of Centralia provided public comment.

5) **Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Lahmann made a motion to approve the August 21, 2026, regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Pickard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

6) **Approval of Warrants:** Commissioner Lahmann made a motion to approve warrants 25130 through 25148 with an aggregate amount of $140,771.34. Commissioner Pickard seconded the motion. The motion carried.

   Commissioner Lahmann and Commissioner Pickard discussed the May legal fees for Van Ness Feldman totaling $51,404.72.

7) New Business:

a) Centralia City Light – Electrical Service – 1101 S. Yew Street: Amy Graber gave a brief overview of the estimated invoice from Centralia City Light for extending electrical service to 1101 S. Yew Street in the amount of $11,770.98.

Commissioner Lahmann made a motion to approve the extension of the electrical service to 1101 S. Yew Street with the estimated price of $11,770.98. Commissioner Pickard seconded the motion.

Commissioner Cummins asked if the electrical service extension would increase the desirability and value of the Port's property. Amy Graber confirmed that it would.

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

The motion carried.

b) Emergency Vehicle Access Easement Agreement – Kuper Road: Amy Graber gave a brief overview of the Emergency Vehicle Access Agreement on Kuper Road. She said that the easement would grant Kaufman Holdings, Inc. the ability to install emergency vehicle-only access for their site onto Kuper Road.

Commissioner Lahmann made a motion to approve the Emergency Vehicle Access Agreement with Kaufman Holdings, Inc. in substantially similar form. Commissioner Cummins seconded the motion.

Commissioner Lahmann thanked Port staff and stated the Port is trying to work with neighbors and be good development partners. Commissioner Pickard discussed the amount of work that easements require.

Commissioner Lahmann opened the agenda item for public comment. Brian Dow, of Centralia, provided public comment on the agenda item.

The motion carried.

c) Small Works Project #26-07 Asphalt Repair – 1709 Midway Court: Noel Vazquez said that Small Works Project #26-07 is to repair a recurring sink hole at 1709 Midway Court. He reported that the lowest bid received was from Northfork Asphalt Paving in the amount of $9,105.60, which was on the high side due to the unknown source of the sink hole. He also suggested that the maintenance crew could investigate the cause on its own.

Commissioner Lahmann made a motion to table the agenda item until the next meeting.

8) Essential Updates:

a) Maintenance Report: Noel Vazquez gave a brief overview of ongoing landscape maintenance projects. He reported that the work for Small Works Project #26-04 Fencing – South Street Stormwater Pond was completed on August 18, 2026.

b) 40th Anniversary Reception: Erin Maloney provided the Commissioners with the invitation for the 40th Anniversary Reception and gave a brief update on reception plans.

c) Executive Director Report: Amy Graber reported on the Port's upcoming budget dates. Commissioner Pickard requested that the dates be posted to social media. Amy said the Port would be hosting a meeting with Centralia College and Port tenants to discuss the College's new Smart Manufacturing Program. She also reported that she gave a presentation at Centralia Rotary.

d) Commissioner Reports: Commissioner Lahmann welcomed Commissioner Cummins to the Port Commission. He also announced the Lewis-Thurston Labor Council's free Labor Day picnic at Penny Playground from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Commissioner Pickard discussed the questions that have arisen regarding potential environmental issues with the Logistics Property Company's development. She reported that she would attending the Labor Day picnic.

9) Adjourn: Commissioner Lahmann made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Pickard seconded the motion. The motion carried. Commissioner Pickard adjourned the meeting at 3:46 p.m.

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