

**PORT OF ILWACO
MINUTES
February 6, 2025**

COMMISSION MEETING

Chairman Smith opened the Commissioner's regular meeting at 4:00 PM. Those present were, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Shirley, Port Manager Hayes, Admin/Accounting Assistant Reed, and Admin Assistant Lambert.

- **Call to Order**

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

- **Approval of Agenda**

Commissioner Smith requested an amendment to the agenda, to move the public comment to after new business

Chairman Smith requested to turn the meeting over to Commissioner Bennett at 4:25pm

Port Manager Hayes requested an amendment to the agenda, to add approval of transfer of IDD Funds to New Business

Commissioner Shirley entered a motion to approve the agenda as changed.

Commissioner Bennett seconded; the **motion was carried** by voice vote.

- **Approval of minutes from January 21st, 2025, Commission Meeting.**

Commissioner Shirley entered a motion to approve the minutes from the January 21st, 2025, Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Bennett seconded; the **motion was carried** by voice vote.

- **Approval of vouchers 21141 through 21156 and electronic fund transfer payments in the amount of \$118,933.56.**

Commissioner Bennett entered a motion to approval of vouchers 21141 through 21156 and electronic fund transfer payments in the amount of \$118,933.56.

Commissioner Shirley seconded; the **motion was carried** by voice vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- **None**

NEW BUSINESS

- **Approval to transfer IDD Funds of 1.1 million to general funds for Bulkhead project**

Commissioner Bennett entered a motion to approve the transfer of IDD funds to general funds for bulkhead project.

Commissioner Shirley seconded; the **motion was carried** by voice vote

- **Resolution 25-1015 Port Auditor**

Commissioner Shirley entered a motion to approve resolution 25-1015 Port Auditor Commissioner Smith seconded; the **motion was carried** by voice vote

PUBLIC COMMENT

M.Cassinelli- Werners approached Cassinelli about doing a favor. He suggested lights, fences, and etc. to improve Beacon. Cassinelli had a zoom meeting between his attorney and the Werners and their attorney about negotiations on projects to be done at Beacon RV. The Werners hired a new manager for Beacon to keep an eye on everything. They are hoping to start getting trailers to leave, but have to wait for the sheriff's office to escort them out. Out of the tenants that are currently there only 2 signed a court order that they can stay until a certain date, sign a contract, and pay their fees. The Werners are going to court mid month and hope to have everyone out of Beacon besides the 2 people that are allowed to stay. Beacon will no longer have tenants longer than 27 days.

D.Berger- Thinks we should have a tree under every street light. Issues started with the City Lawyer. There are international, federal, State, and City aviation laws. 1970 easement law states tenants are responsible for maintenance. City wants to close the taxiway, but states taxiways are a federal requirement. City told him the taxiway is closed. March 10th court date for suit filed against City of Ilwaco member in small claims court. City of Ilwaco attorney sued Berger for the removal of tree in taxiway. The Port needs to require a through the fence agreement.

Commissioner Smith left at 4:25pm.

OPERATIONS REPORTS

Manager Report: Applied for extension of dredging through March 8th, 2025. Bulkhead on time, scheduled to complete in July. Ordered 17 new storm water filters for the boatyard. Electricity out in old bathrooms by the office. Removal of fishing carts left done where there is construction. Updated new billing prices per Tariff 22.

Finance Report: None

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner Shirley: Thank you everyone for your hard work. Bulkhead project looks great.

Commissioner Bennett: Thank you Cassinelli for the communication with the Werners. Thank you Tina for all the hardwork.

Chairman Smith: Nothing against the City or the construction company doing work in the parking lot, but unhappy with the engineering firm. They have disregarded things discussed with them in the 2 years worth of meetings and do whatever they want. Wants a call with Holly to try to work out some of the issues. If they bring something in that was not approved it will be taken out.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 PM by **Commissioner Bennett.**

Minutes submitted by Natasha Lambert for approval on February 18th, 2025.

Natasha Lambert Admin. Assist.

Commissioners:

Butch Smith, Chairman

Mike Shirley

Alan Bennett