

**PORT OF ILWACO
MINUTES
May 20, 2025**

COMMISSION MEETING

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

- **Call to Order**

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

- **Approval of Agenda**

Commissioner Shirley entered a motion to approve the agenda.

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

- **Approval of minutes from April 22nd, 2025, Commission Meeting.**

Commissioner Shirley entered a motion to approve the minutes from the April 22nd, 2025, Commission Meeting.

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

- **Approval of vouchers 21322 through 21340 and electronic fund transfer payments in the amount of \$502,826.94.**

Commissioner Bennett entered a motion to approval of vouchers 21322 through 21340 and electronic fund transfer payments in the amount of \$502,826.94.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

D.Berger: Curious when the Port will be removing trees from the airport? Currently working with a developer to get his taxiway cleared.

T.Hayes: We currently do not have a plan to remove the trees. We are currently working on restriping the airport and getting internet to the airport.

D.Berger: We will see what the State has to say about that.

M.Cassinelli: Need to schedule a get together meeting between city and Port. Been some changes to the stormwater project. Changing plants to ones that work with the new stormwater system. Have a great Memorial day weekend. It is a weekend for remembrance.

T.Erwin: Introduced himself as new Safecoast plant manager.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- **None**

NEW BUSINESS

- **Rouge & Rye Business Plan**

OPERATIONS REPORTS

Manager Report: Received grant reimbursement. Brandon attended the PCC Annual Dredging Conference. The Lower Columbia Estuary Project meeting with the city set for June 23rd at 5pm. Bathrooms are now being left open at night, so far no vandalism. Started demolishing old bathrooms. Oil dump gate and cameras have been installed. The Bait Dock has temporary power until pedestals come in. Gravel going in by Marie Powels. Crab Pot Christmas tree coming down this week. Done taking apart the Washington. Science fair at the Cranberry Museum was very educational. List of accounts of concerns and our steps going forward.

Finance Report:

None

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner Bennett: Glad to see the striping in the parking lot done and the buildings in front of the office coming down. Referring to list of accounts, it is great to see things getting done. Appreciate all the moving part and hard work it takes.

Commissioner Shirley: Thank you to Tina for cracking down on accounts. Nice to see the Saturday Market open. Jeeps Go Topless Day was last weekend and was a great turnout. Amazed at how fast Dylan Jude is going up.

Commissioner Smith: People have been stopping me to rave about the new lighting that has gone up. It has helped to cut down on the crime. Thumbs up! The addition of Austin seems to be working out great. The crew is doing great. Appreciate the job you all are doing. Thank you.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:21 PM by **Chairman Smith**.

Minutes submitted by Natasha Lambert for approval on June 17th, 2025.

Natasha Lambert Admin. Assist.

Commissioners:

Butch Smith, Chairman

Mike Shirley

Alan Bennett