PORT OF ILWACO MINUTES January 03, 2023

COMMISSION MEETING

<u>Chairman Smith</u> opened the Commissioner's regular meeting at 4:00 PM. Those present were <u>Commissioner Shirley</u>, Port Manager Demase, Admin/Acct Asst Niles and Admin/Acct Asst Kosa. <u>Commissioner Bennett</u> attended via Zoom and Finance Director Redburn was absent.

Chairman Smith requested the Executive Session to be moved before Old Business.

• Approval of minutes from the December 20, 2022 Commission Meeting.

<u>Commissioner Shirley</u> entered a motion to approve the minutes from the December 20, 2022, Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Bennett seconded; the motion carried by voice vote.

• Approval of vouchers 19680 through 19700 and electronic fund transfer payments in the amount of \$15,534.03.

<u>Commissioner Bennett</u> entered a motion to approve vouchers 19680 through 19700 and electronic fund transfer payments in the amount of \$15,534.03 <u>Commissioner Shirley</u> seconded; the **motion carried** by voice vote.

• PUBLIC COMMENT

- D. Berger Question about Port Attorney
- S. Walker Landscaping position open at the Port of Ilwaco
- M. Cassinelli Look forward to seeing landscaping done in 2023 at the Port and City

• EXECUTIVE SESSION – Review the performance of a public employee – RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)

<u>Chairman Smith</u> recessed the regular meeting into executive session at 4:25 PM and stated the executive session will conclude at 4:35 PM. <u>Chairman Smith</u> stated the purpose of the executive session is to review the performance of a public employee pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). The Port does intend on taking action following the executive session.

The Executive Session ended, and the regular Port Commission meeting was reconvened at 4:35 PM.

• UNFINISHED BUSINESS

• Competitive Wage Scale

Commissioner Smith proposed a 2023 wage increase effective January 1, 2023. The Commission discussed a possible step program moving forward.

<u>Commissioner Shirley</u> entered a motion to approve the proposed adjusted salary cap to facilitate new wages.

Commissioner Bennett seconded; the motion carried by voice vote.

• NEW BUSINESS

Appoint Officers of the Commission

<u>Commissioner Bennett</u> entered a motion to appoint Butch Smith as chairman of the Commission and Alan Bennett as Secretary of the Commission for 2023. <u>Commissioner Shirley</u> seconded; the **motion carried** by voice vote.

• Affirm the Appointment of the Port Auditor and Port Attorney

<u>Commissioner Shirley</u> made a motion to affirm the appointment of Mari-Anna Redburn as Port Auditor for 2023 and to affirm the appointment of the law firm Haglund Kelly LLC as Port Legal Counsel for 2023.

Commissioner Bennett seconded and the motion carried via voice vote.

• Renew Authority of Port Manager to sell surplus under \$2,500 for 2023

<u>Commissioner Shirley</u> made a motion to renew the authority of the Port Manager to sell surplus items under \$2,500 for 2023.

Commissioner Bennett seconded and the motion carried via voice vote.

• OPERATIONS REPORTS

Manager's Report: The RCO Restroom Project update; East Bulkhead Project update; Dredge update; Landscaping RFQ update; January 4th -5th CPA will be in Port Office; Crab Pot Tree coming down mid-January; Boat Yard update; Port of Ilwaco and Port of Chinook meeting scheduled for January 24th.

Finance Report: Absent.

• <u>COMMISSIONERS REPORT</u>

Chairman Smith: Good job on Bulkhead Project with Engineers and Happy New Year.

Commissioner Shirley: Thank you everyone for all your hard work.

Commissioner Bennett: Appreciate all the hard work.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:58 PM by **Chairman Smith**.

Minutes submitted by Kari Kosa for approval on January 24, 2023.

Kari Kosa, Acct/Admin Asst

Butch Smith, Chairman

Commissioners

Mike Shirley