

Minutes of the Pioneer Ports meeting of June 17, 2015.

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. at the Snake River Grill at Boyer Park and Marina, Colfax, WA, by Commissioner Tom Kammerzell. In attendance from the Port of Whitman County: Commissioner John Love, Commissioner Tom Kammerzell and port staff Debbie Snell and Kara Reibold. From the Port of Lewiston: Commissioner Mike Thomason, Commissioner Jerry Klemm, Commissioner Mary Hasenoehrl, Port Manager Dave Doeringsfeld and port staff Jaynie Bentz. From the Port of Clarkston: Commissioner Wayne Tippet, Commissioner Rick Davis and Port Manager Wanda Keefer. All in attendance introduced themselves.

**PIONEER PORTS OUTREACH PROGRAM:** There was discussion regarding the current Pioneer Ports Outreach program designed to help promote the three ports and craft a consistent message regarding port contributions to the local economies. The three ports have all approved a \$30,000 shared contract with Desimone Consulting to move this program forward.

A draft of an ad to be run in the Slack Water Anniversary special insert of the July 6 Lewiston Tribune was presented for group approval. The draft was preliminarily approved by all three ports pending input from Desimone.

**RIVER ISSUES DISCUSSION:** There was general discussion of river issues impacting the three ports including the future of dredging on the Snake River and in valley marinas, the reduction of barging on the Snake due to a variety of factors and the continued pressure from multiple groups to breach the four Snake River dams.

**PORT UPDATES:**

**LEWISTON:** Dave Doeringsfeld reported on the new Port of Lewiston Fiber project and commended Port of Whitman County staff on their continued assistance with the project. Mike

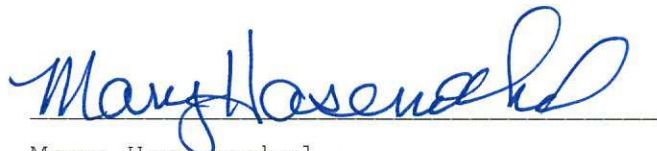
Thomason mentioned the attendance of 50 interested citizens at the port budget hearing.

CLARKSTON: Wanda Keefer also thanked Port of Whitman staff for their assistance with their fiber project. She also reported on differing views regarding the dam breaching issue within Clarkston and the growth of the viticulture industry in the valley.

WHITMAN: The Port of Whitman briefly reported on their FAA and WSDOT Aviation funded runway reconstruction project at the Port of Whitman Business Air Center, the new drain project at the Port of Wilma, the projected rail improvement project at Wilma and the Boyer Park and Marina Expansion project which includes 13 new RV spots and 4 small cabins.

NEXT PIONEER PORTS MEETING: The next Pioneer Ports meeting will be hosted by the Port of Clarkston in the fall of 2015.

ADJOURN: There being no further items of discussion the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 P.M.

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Mary Hasenoehrl

PORT OF LEWISTON, Secretary