

PORT OF LEWISTON
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
February 27, 2018

The special meeting of the Port Commission was held at the Port District Office at the hour of 12:00 p.m. on February 27, 2018.

Present at the meeting were Port Commission President, and Mary Hasenoehrl, Port Commission Vice-President, Jerry Klemm, and Commission Secretary/Treasurer, Mike Thomason. Administrative staff in attendance was David Doeringsfeld, Port Manager and Port Assistant Manager, Jaynie Bentz. The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Port Commission President, Mary Hasenoehrl.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

Port Commission President, Mary Hasenoehrl, called for review of the agenda. Commissioner Thomason made a motion to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Commissioner Klemm. The motion passed unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Larry Schroeder, 704 4th Avenue, Lewiston, ID – Presented a handout and comments to the Port Commission regarding cruise boat information that he had gathered. He offered comments on how to better welcome industry business and the desire to maintain cruise boats calling the LC Valley. His comments included ways to improve the experiences of crew while in the visiting and visitors embarking and disembarking from a community perspective. To help accommodate the growing industry, he suggested that a feasibility study and soundings should be considered at the confluence, on the Idaho side. Comments included information about the size of ships, the economic impact crew and visitors make within the valley, services needed by the vessels and the need for alternative and additional docking sites to accommodate growth and congestion possibilities.

ACTION ITEM:

Port Commissioner, Mary Hasenoehrl, reported that the Urban Renewal Agency does not allow committee members to vote by telephone and that the Port Commission

should consider an alternate representative for the Port of Lewiston seat on the board as proxy. Commissioner Klemm made a motion to appoint Commissioner Thomason as the alternate representative and proxy representing the Port of Lewiston on the Urban Renewal Agency board; seconded by Commissioner Hasenoehrl. After short discussion, voting Aye – Commissioners Hasenoehrl, Thomason, Klemm; voting Nay – none. The motion passed unanimously.

WORK SESSION:

Open discussion was had between Port Commissioners and staff regarding goals, objectives and tasks in reflecting discussions from the workshop in January facilitated by Jenny Scott, from Northwest Leadership Strategies. Discussion was had regarding these updates that would eventually replace pages 13-15 of the current plan.

Discussion was had regarding short and long term marketing, educational and outreach.

Discussion and review regarding land acquisition and development included, but was not limited to, the historical development of the 2010 conceptual design of the recreational option at the Confluence Riverfront site. Consensus was had that additional information would be needed to determine if any recreational site development, phased or otherwise, could be considered further at that location.

Review and discussion was had regarding the current status of the Port's fiber optic plant for planned construction and customer service orders. Open discussion was had regarding costs and economic impacts for the longer term outlook regarding service to areas beyond Lewiston to support industries such as medical and emergency management facilities within smaller communities. Consensus was had that ongoing discussion will be needed on how to thoughtfully buildout fiber to serve our communities in the best possible way.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:06 p.m.



Secretary
Mike Thomason