

Minutes of the meeting of the Port of Whitman County of February 18, 2010.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Port office in Colfax, Washington. Present were all Commissioners, the Executive Director, the Properties and Development Manager, and the Port Attorney.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A **MOTION** was made to approve the Minutes of the meeting of February 4, 2010, as mailed and entered in the minute book. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: A **MOTION** was made to pay Claim Nos. 19503 through 19533 totaling \$12,597.48. The motion carried.

SEWEDA OPEN HOUSE: Commissioner Boone reported on attending the SEWEDA open house at the Bank of Whitman in Pullman, Washington, on February 11, 2010. Dwayne Wollmuth gave a brief talk on the work of SEWEDA.

PBAC COMMUNITY ADVISORY GROUP: Commissioner Boone reported on attending the PBAC Community Advisory Group meeting of February 11, 2010. The group is working on revising its bylaws.

Joe Smillie of the Whitman County Gazette joined the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE MANUFACTURING CONTRACTS: Commissioner Love reported on continuing contacts with Joe Harris and Dave Bonfield, who are exploring the possibilities of a program aimed at procuring Department of Defense contracts for the manufacture of out-of-production parts. A program at Oklahoma State University is the presumptive model. A phone conference was recently held with officials at the University.

WILMA - RAIL CROSSING REPAIRS: The Properties and Development Manager reported that Rail Works has been awarded a small works roster contract for rail crossing repairs at Wilma for the approximate sum of \$8,300.

PORT OFFICE - CARPORT PROJECT: The Properties and Development Manager reported that the carport project for the Port office parking lot has been completed.

COMMISSIONERS' STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING: A **MOTION** was made to reschedule the Commissioners' strategic planning meeting from April 20, 2010, to February 25, 2010, to be held at the Port office at 10:00 a.m. The motion carried. The primary topic for the meeting will be strategic planning for rail issues.

PCC RAIL BOARD MEETING: The Executive Director reported on the PCC Rail Board meeting of February 16, 2010, held at the McGregor office building south of Colfax.

FUNDING FOR IPZ PROGRAMS: The Executive Director reported that the Washington State Senate has passed a bill authorizing \$600,000 for IPZ programs. The bill is now in the House.

SENATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: The Executive Director reported on testifying before the Senate Economic Development Committee on February 16, 2010. The Committee is looking at the history, structure, and governance of the various public economic development entities in the state.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 11:10 a.m., the Port President called for an executive session, with the regular meeting to reconvene at 11:30 a.m. to discuss real estate issues.

REGULAR MEETING RECONVENED: At 11:30 a.m., the regular meeting of the Port of Whitman County reconvened following executive session. Present were all Commissioners, the Executive Director, the Properties and Development Manager, and the Port Attorney.

MEETING ADJOURNED: At 11:30 a.m., there being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned.

PORT OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSION

ROBERT F. GRONHOLZ, President

DANIEL W. BOONE, Vice President

JOHN E. LOVE, Secretary