

Minutes of the meeting of the Port of Whitman County of March 4, 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 Commissioners Boone and Love, 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 18, 2010, as mailed and entered in the minute book. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: A **MOTION** was made to pay Claim Nos. 19534 through 19578 totaling \$302,073.11 and electronic funds transfer for payroll taxes of \$6,101.08. The motion carried. A **MOTION** was made to void Claim No. 19519 in the amount of \$323.90. The motion carried.

REVIEW OF AGED RECEIVABLES: The Commissioners and the Properties and Development Manager reviewed the aged receivables.

REGIONAL WATER SUMMIT CONFERENCE: Commissioner Boone reported on attending the Regional Water Summit conference on February 26, 2010. The group is working toward collaboration in the region on water issues.

REPORT BY PROPERTIES AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGER: The Properties and Development Manager reported on the following items:

(1) The Port office carport project has been completed.

(2) The Properties and Development Manager and the Port Maintenance Supervisor met with the tenants at 1300 NE Henley Court in the Pullman Industrial Park on February 24, 2010, to discuss security issues and procedure

(3) The Wilma spur line crossing project is pending. A contract has been let to Rail Works.

Joe Smillie of the Whitman County Gazette joined the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

COMMISSIONER GRONHOLZ EXCUSED FROM PORT COMMISSION MEETINGS THROUGH APRIL 1, 2010: It was noted that Commissioner Gronholz has requested that he be excused from attending meetings through April 1, 2010, for medical reasons. A **MOTION**

was made to excuse Commissioner Gronholz from meetings of the Port Commission through April 1, 2010. The motion carried.

NOANET GRANT APPLICATION: The Properties and Development Manager reported that the NoaNet grant application for federal stimulus package funds has been approved. Included in the package as a sub-recipient is a Port project for telecommunications for extension of fiber line to Spokane. Approximately \$8.9 million of the grant is designated for this project. The Port will have to provide 20% matching funds for the project.

MARINA OPERATIONS: The Properties and Development Manager reported that she and Boyer Park and Marina Concessionaire David Peterson attended a meeting on February 19, 2010, between the Corps and other Corps lessees. By her account, 20 of the 21 lessees having marina facilities on the Columbia Snake River system were in attendance. She indicated the meeting was very helpful as the Corps explained its management perspective on marina operations.

At 10:55 a.m., Joe Smillie left the meeting.

MAY 6, 2010, COMMISSIONER MEETING: It was noted that the Commissioner meeting of May 6, 2010, was scheduled to commence at the Port office in Colfax and then following the completion of administrative matters, recess and reconvene at Boyer Park and Marina. The annual Commissioners tour of the facility is scheduled for that time.

STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING - PCC RAIL: It was noted that on February 26, 2010, the Commissioners met with the Executive Director in a strategic planning meeting. The primary topic was PCC Rail. No action was taken at the meeting. Budget issues for PCC Rail will be discussed at the next meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING: A **MOTION** was made to approve the Minutes of the strategic planning meeting of February 29, 2010, as entered in the minute book.

RESOLUTION NO. 10-05: A **MOTION** was made to approve Resolution No. 10-05 authorizing postponement of rent redetermination for the next two years. The motion carried.

REPORT ON ADO ACTIVITIES: The Properties and Development Manager presented a written report on ADO activities submitted by Dick Watters.

MEETING ADJOURNED: At 11:40 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