

Minutes of the Port of Whitman County and Board of County Commissioner's Joint meeting of November 3, 2008.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Port office in Colfax, Washington. Present were Greg Partch and Jerry Finch, Whitman County Commissioners, Dan Boone, John Love and Bob Gronholz, Port Commissioners, Joe Poire, Port Executive Director, Dick Watters, ADO and Terry Cornelison, SBDC Business Advisor.

NEW SBDC ADVISOR: Terry Cornelison was introduced as the new Small Business Development Center Business Advisor. Discussion ensued regarding the duties of the new business advisor. Mr. Cornelison reported on his activities to date. All present agreed that this is a very necessary program.

NEW ADO DIRECTOR: Dick Watters was introduced as the new Associate Development Organization Advisor for Whitman County. This position is under direction of the Southeast Washington Economic Development Association (SEWEDA), formerly PEDC and the Port. It was noted that Mr. Watters was a good addition to the economic development staff.

REGIONAL WATER ISSUES: Water supply needs for the Hawkins Development in the Moscow-Pullman Corridor was discussed. It seems to be solved for now with the two wells that have been drilled at the site. A greater supply of water will be needed as the development continues.

DISCUSSION OF MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT: Commissioner Partch reported that the Hawkins Development Group and Mark Storey, of Whitman County will be meeting the week of November 17, 2008 to discuss water development. Commissioner Boone requested the Port Executive Director get involved to explore Port involvement. All commissioners agreed. Joe will meet with Mark Storey after his meeting with the Hawkins Group.

JOINT MEETINGS SCHEDULE: Discussion ensued regarding the schedule for the Port and BOCC meetings. Maribeth Becker, Clerk of the BOCC and Linda Olson, Port Administrative Assistant are working on this schedule and will report to all commissioners.

MEETING ADJOURNED: There being no more items of discussion the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Michael Largent, Chair

Jerry Finch, Commissioner

Greg Partch, Commissioner

PORT OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSION

Daniel W. Boone, President

John E. Love, Vice President

Robert F. Gronholz, Secretary