

Minutes of the Strategic Planning meeting of the Port of Whitman County of December 15 and 16, 2008.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am at the Spokane Club, Spokane, WA. In attendance were all commissioners and the Executive Director.

STIMULUS PACKAGE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS: Discussion ensued regarding the Federal Stimulus Infrastructure package being proposed by President-Elect Obama. The Executive Director reported that the port has worked on numerous different lists being compiled by different State of Washington agencies to forward to the Obama administration for "shovel ready" infrastructure projects. These projects must be ready to go and produce jobs in order to qualify for funding. The Port listed the IPZ and Rail infrastructure projects for consideration.

Terry Lawhead from CTED joined the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Mr. Lawhead reported to the Port Commission on the status of IPZ legislative work being done by CTED to try and influence the governor's budget. He also stated that there would probably be no money in the budget for the next biennium. However there could be money coming from Federal Stimulus to the state that could flow through to IPZ zones. Discussion continued on job creation and funding needs for all IPZ sites in the state.

IPZ STRATEGIES: Don Tilton, IPZ Zone Administrator joined the meeting at 11:00 a.m. Mr. Tilton reported he understood the current funding strategies in place with the state and has been in communication with Julie Anderson from CTED about IPZ funding. Mr. Tilton shared two strategies for projects that would have job growth and are ready to go. He is going to prepare white papers on the following projects.

- Renewable Energy IT Clusters
- Energy savings on thin client networks
- Electric vehicle charging stations
- Container less vending machine

Mr. Tilton will be meeting with Terry Lawhead and Joe Poire the week on Jan 5, 2009 to discuss projects as well as readiness. Mr. Poire will report to the commissioners.

MEETING RECESSED: At 4:00 p.m. the meeting was recessed.

MEETING RECONVENED: At 8:00 a.m. December 16, 2008 the meeting was reconvened at the Spokane Club, Spokane, WA. Present were all commissioners and the Executive Director.

PULLMAN BUILDING: The commissioners reviewed the scope of work for leasing or selling space in the Pullman building (1300 NE Henley Court) that is under contract with NAI Black in Spokane. An offering concept to potential clients was discussed. Staff will proceed with NAI Black on marketing.

ROSALIA AIRPORT: Discussion ensued regarding the Rosalia Airport and the potential to participate with the City of Rosalia on purchase of the hanger and home located at the airport. The Executive Director reported that a draft contract detailing the scope of work, has been delivered to city.

IPNG LAWSUIT: Discussion ensued regarding the IPNG lawsuit and potential tactics on federal lawsuit involvement.

MEETING ADJOURNED: There being no further items of discussion the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m., December 16, 2008.

PORT OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSION

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