



**PORT OF GARIBALDI
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 13, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

President Folkema called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioners present: Val Folkema, Bob Browning, Amanda Cavitt, Jaime Perez, Kelly Barnett (7:02).

Staff present Michael Saindon, Jessi Coon.

Visitors: Clay Ramberg.

CHANGES TO AGENDA – Sale of Silver Girl under new business, decided to take care of before Minutes/Financials.

Clay Ramberg from Boring, found F/V Silver Girl listed online. Been fishing for years. Owns a trucking company over the hill. Has a salmon troll permit and black cod permits. Has all paperwork together except for landings.

Motion Browning, second by Perez to approve sale of F/V Silver Girl and transfer of slip.

Motion carried 3 – 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES/FINANCIAL REPORTS

Perez noted changes to minutes presented. Date listed on minutes incorrect. Also Daniels was not changed and no longer on the commission.

Motion by Perez, second by Browning to approve July 12 regular, August 17 special and August 23 emergency session minutes. Motion Carried 4 – 0.

Motion Barnett, second by Browning to approve August financial reports and payment of bills.

Motion carried 4 – 0.

CORRESPONDENCE/PRESENTATIONS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

SOUTH JETTY UPDATE. [OBJ]

Nothing new. Lost contact at the USACE, Valerie Ringold is stepping in. New due date of October 20 for matching funds for Jetty study. Commission asked for an update from Bonamici or Buchegar.

HAZARD MITIGATION UPDATE.

Nothing new. Will be bringing to the commission for adoption in the next month or two.

ABANDONED/DERELICT VESSEL AND MOORAGE CONCERNS.

Working group ended up with DSL. Saindon noted that he has stepped back from the group, but still keeping in tune. Concerned with progress. Folkema noted that Gombergs report was received, hoping he will be able to get funding. Needs it treated as a waterways of Oregon issue. Saindon noted still working towards Florida's ADV program.

Barnett asked about an update on engineering for Fishermen's Memorial. Saindon noted waiting for quotes.

EVENTS UPDATE.

Had a debrief. Great feedback, and can see growing. City is going to reestablish tourism committee. On track. Not going to continue night markets. Putting together a committee. Folkema noted contacting Biz Oregon for Ports Marketing funds.

ODOT 101 PROJECT/RAIL CROSSINGS.

Will be pushing info out. October 2nd – 20th the 3rd street crossing will be closed for repair. October 23rd – 30th the 7th street crossing is slated to be closed for repair.

L-22 CAPTAINS CORNER.

Originally one large lease, has had surveyed and broken to the two leases. First item is the lease termination from the previous lease.

Motion Barnett, second by Browning to terminate L-22 Captains Corner larger lease.
Motion carried 4 – 0.

Motion Barnett, second by Browning to approve new lease for L-22 Captains Corner.
Motion carried 4 – 0.

L-22A TILLAMOOK BAY CANNERY.

Barnett noted specific wording encouraged for low acid canning in hermetically sealed containers. Will bring that language to the commission in an amendment.

Motion Perez, second by Browning to approve L-22A Tillamook Bay Cannery lease.

Motion carried 4 – 0.

NEW BUSINESS

DEQ STORMWATER.

Port of Astoria just underwent scrutiny from DEQ over fish slime. Port of Newport only has a permit for their industrial facility. Reviewed SIC code. Saindon noted according to the wording, Port of Garibaldi is not a facility. Will keep pushing for not industrial facility. May have to change some best practices. Folkema noted great strategy. Saindon noted all parties are aware.

TEP CARGO DOCK PROPOSAL.

Water monitoring equipment mounted under the cargo dock. NOAA moved weather station to the cargo dock. York Johnson, TEP, put together a proposal. Browning asked about moving proposal to the TEP dock instead. Barnett not in favor. Perez noted if it impedes the use may need to look for another location. Folkema noted not ready to make a decision.

BAD DEBTS WRITE OFF PER ORGANIZATION MANUAL.

Barnett recused himself from the discussion. For the F/V Expediter purely writing staff time off. Insurance company did not cover. Will continue to pursue moorage owed. Learned from it. Other vessel F/V Good Intentions was left in storage waiting for investigation. Once released from insurance investigation was left waiting for DEQ. Perez asked why port took possession of boat. Saindon clarified that no possession was ever taken, but emergency storage was happening for the owner/insurance company till disposal. Port submitted some paperwork on behalf of the client. Browning asked about having an attorney write a letter for reimbursement. Folkema noted if no action is taken port is rolling over for the insurance company. Will readdress.

STAFF REPORTS

Coon noted signature cards are ready at the bank for signers to come in. Audit is scheduled for later in September. SDAO Best Practices survey has come out and is due by November 3, 2023. Folkema asked Coon to have bank manager bring the signature cards to the commission at the next meeting.

Saindon gave new buoy information.

Working with Partners for Rural Foodsystems, may have slowed down the process, having them write a business plan.

Pacific Seafood is lobbying for Save Our Seafood.

Letter of intent for Pac Seafood. Not planning on renewing lease. Browning noted may need to address derelict buildings through lease like ADV.

OPPA Conference at the Cannery hotel in Astoria the 29th.

Habitat Conservation Plan got sent back.

COMMISSIONER CONCERNS

Folkema noted busy month with all the events. Stellar job.

Perez – asked about Pacific Seafood and oyster production. Saindon noted there are no plans or intentions being shared of processing oysters again in Bay City. Saindon noted that he does not have all the details, but will share as he knows. Noted international fisheries staying very close to the EEZ line. Browning noted oysters are cyclical and die off happens every few years.

Cavitt – Tourism commission getting back together. Happy to serve on it as a commissioner or a business owner. Felt synergy with the city and port.

Barnett – Bornsteins doing nothing with the lease. Saindon noted that the last conversation Bornsteins noted bringing in a hoist and a buyer.

Browning – Went to Port of Astoria commission meeting. Also shared concerns regarding Marina software.

Folkema – PNWA coming to Vancouver October 11 and 12. Will follow up with an email to set up reservations. Discussions about representatives and who may step in for Schrader and Defazio. Met with Weber, working on meeting with Javadi. Reminder that if more than two commissioners attend must be public noticed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Valerie Folkema, President

ATTEST:



Kelly Barnett, Secretary/Treasurer

