



**PORT OF GARIBALDI  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 12, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Folkema called the regular meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Commissioners present: Val Folkema, Bob Browning, Amanda Cavitt, Jaime Perez, Kelly Barnett (7:10pm).

Staff present Michael Saindon, Jessi Coon, Curtis Jepson.

Visitors: Susie Saindon.

**CHANGES TO AGENDA – NONE**

**OATH OF OFFICE** – Administered by Susie Saindon.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Motion Browning, second by Perez to nominate Folkema to the office of Commission president. Motion carried 4 – 0.

Motion Folkema, second by Barnett to nominate Browning to the office of Commission vice-president. Motion carried 4 – 0.

Motion Browning, second by Perez to nominate Barnett to the office of Commission secretary/treasurer. Motion carried 4 – 0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES/FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Motion by Barnett, second by Browning to approve June 14 and 19 minutes and June financials.  
Motion Carried 4– 0.

## **CORRESPONDENCE/PRESENTATIONS**

None.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **SOUTH JETTY UPDATE.**

Saindon noted will call and get clarification on the near shore disposal site, proposed site does not seem like it will be practical. Wave buoy has been built and is being shipped to Oregon. Will be placed next month. Folkema and Saindon noted meeting with PNWA director. Folkema noted conversation with Buchegar, DC lobbyist through Biz Oregon. Still working on stepped channel. Currently there is a 50/50 cost match, which could cost the port \$1-1.5MIL. Program out there to cover 100% of cost since the port fell under a disadvantaged community. PNWA is still actively engaged. Concerns regarding jetty funding. Bonamici is coming out to look at port concerns.

### **HAZARD MITIGATION UPDATE.**

Nothing new.

### **ABANDONED/DERELICT VESSEL AND MOORAGE CONCERNS.**

Nothing new, but watching Newport sell some of their abandoned/derelict vessels on GovDeals. Discussion about the leverage of permitting.

Saindon noted talked with AAFA, they are getting things lined up for services to the boats being brought in. Lots of opportunities for small businesses. Saindon noted staff is committed to making it work.

### **GRANTS UPDATE.**

Nothing new. Did not get the RAISE grant. Talking with county's grant writer about going after BRIC grant.

### **GARIBALDI DAYS UPDATE.**

Saindon noted staff working closely with city. Employee that was in charge of the marketing has left the city. Working with Garibaldi Business Assn. and councilor Findling. Reviewed closure map. Barnett asked if tenants have been notified of closures, Saindon noted yes. Saindon noted parade route, old crab pot lot will be used as equestrian staging. Night Market and Friday vendors running in conjunction with each other. Reviewed schedule of events.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **ACCOUNT SIGNERS UPDATE.**

Saindon and Coon noted that the bank requires an update in the minutes to update any signers. It was noted that Paul Daniels should be removed from the bank accounts and signers list. Amanda Cavitt has been elected to be placed on the bank signers.

Motion Browning, second by Barnett to approve changes to Umpqua Bank signers list removing Paul Daniels and replacing with Amanda Cavitt. Motion carried 4 – 0.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

Coon noted that budget has been turned in. Will be working with the auditor to schedule the next audit.

Saindon noted the USCG Tillamook Bay flooded from the last storm. Computers and Comms were destroyed, historical items were able to be saved. Green mile has been closed. USCG has paid for moorage. Larger boathouse project no longer has funding.

Big Tuna slab is poured, building is set for placement next month.

Jepson gave an update on the restrooms. Folkema asked about a completion date. Supposed to be done at the next week. Barnett asked about timing penalties. Staff noted that shipping issues with the equipment were verified. Folkema noted a plan to write a comprehensive grant to help with public restrooms and beach cleanup.

Mural update – Reviewed design. Discussed any issues and thoughts. Folkema noted that it is just paint and can be changed. Getting people in the port and out of the cars to see what the port offers. Consensus to go ahead.

Waste oil – Saindon noted that people are using. Getting a cleaner product. Folkema asked if there is a negative impact. Saindon noted cleaner, but may have future spill potential. Want to be good stewards. Concerns about people reverting to leaving waste oil out on port property if the bins are not readily available.

## **COMMISSIONER CONCERNS**

Perez – attended the meeting with the TEP board. Nice to hear their perspective. Concerns about the re-design.

Browning – Asked about Pacific Seafood. Saindon noted Juan has not been available. Will contact Weise-Hansen. Pacific Dream is also a concern. Supposed to start in May and nothing has happened.

Cavitt – Has lots, but nothing at the moment. Just getting caught up on the issues in the district. Feels like shes had a good introduction.

Barnett – Would like weekly/monthly updates to the commission. Had a boat issue off of Nehalem and USCG responded. The response was concerning. Felt that USCG gave suggestions that were unsafe. There was boat damage that occurred when they arrived to tow him. His vessel was dropped off at the SW corner of the transient dock. Concerned about the amount of training for local issues. Coos Bay is directly responsible for how that transient dock has been set. Saindon confirmed concern about Barnett’s concerns. May elevate that concern to Oregon Public Ports Association. Feels as though search and rescue mission has fallen by the wayside.

Folkema – Discussion about FEMA and suit filed having the biop tied up. As ODOT project moves forward may need to discuss signage. Saindon noted Nan ready to pull the trigger on wayfinding.

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Valerie Folkema, President

ATTEST:

  
Kelly Barnett, Secretary/Treasurer