

Commission Meeting Minutes Monday, September 23, 2024

Commission President Bob Iyall called the Commission meeting of September 23, 2024, to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Percival Plaza at 626 Columbia Street NW, Suite 1B, Olympics Room, in Olympia, Washington.

Present

<u>Commissioners</u>: Bob Iyall, President; Jasmine Vasavada, Vice President; Sarah Tonge, Secretary; Amy Harding, and Maggie Sanders.

<u>Staff</u>: Alex Smith, Executive Director; Chris Pierce-Wright, General Counsel with Dickson Frohlich Phillips Burgess; Ben McDonald, Director of Human Resources and Administration; Camille St. Onge, Director Strategic Initiatives and Commission Affairs; Tad Kopf, Director of Finance; Jon Wolf, Environmental Manager; Taber Lee, Marketing and Communications Senior Manager; Karen Andrade, Environmental Communications Specialist; and Missy Goodell, Executive and Commission Coordinator.

Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Vasavada moved to approve the agenda; Commissioner Tonge seconded the motion. Commissioner Harding moved to relocate Consent Calendar item 1. (Deschutes Estuary Restoration Project Interlocal Agreement) to the Action/Other Calendar. Commissioner Tonge seconded the motion. Amended motion passed unanimously.

Executive Director Report

Alex Smith, Executive Director, provided an update on port events and activities.

Public Comment

Five individuals provided public comments.

Consent Calendar

Commissioner Harding moved to approve the consent agenda as presented; Commissioner Tonge seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Pending Issues or Business

<u>Briefing: Port of Olympia Citizens Advisory Committee (POCAC) Member Update</u>. Joel Hansen, Port of Olympia Citizens Advisory Committee Chair shared that there are currently three vacancies on the POCAC. Currently the POCAC is polling their members to select a new Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary for next year's term.

Action Calendar

None.

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Action/Other Calendar

<u>Deschutes Estuary Restoration Project Interlocal Agreement.</u>

Three individuals provided public comment.

<u>Motion</u>: Commissioner Harding moved to authorize Port of Olympia's Executive Director, Alex Smith, to sign the Interlocal Agreement between the Port of Olympia, Washington State Department of Enterprise Services, Squaxin Island Tribe, County of Thurston, City of Olympia, City of Tumwater, and the LOTT Clean Water Alliance, for the shared responsibility of long-term sediment management in Budd Inlet. Commissioner Sanders seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Advisory Calendar

<u>Briefing: 2025 Budget for Non-Operating, Tax Levy Uses and Community Events</u>. Tad Kopf, Director of Finance presented sections of the 2025 Budget for Commission review and public input.

Taber Lee, Marketing and Communications Senior Manager, shared 2024 community event information and presented community event requests and budget recommendations for 2025.

One individual provided public comment.

Commissioner Reports/Discussion

Each commissioner provided an update of their current activities in the community.

Other Business

None.

Meeting Announcements

Executive Director Alex Smith provided information on upcoming Commission meetings.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

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Bob Iyall, President

Jasmine Vasavada, Vice President

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Sarah Tonge) Secretary

Maggie Sanders, Commissioner

Amy Harding, Commissioner