

# Commission Meeting Minutes Monday, October 14, 2024

Commission President Bob Iyall called the Commission meeting of October 14, 2024, to order at 5:33 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; Maggie Sanders and Amy Harding.

<u>Staff</u>: Alex Smith, Executive Director, Chris Pierce-Wright, General Counsel; Camille St. Onge, Director Strategic Initiatives and Commission Affairs; Tad Kopf, Director of Finance; Shawn Gilbertson, Director of Environmental Planning and Programs; Emily Girton, Communications and Outreach Specialist; and Missy Goodell, Executive and Commission Coordinator.

Guest/Speaker: Jeff Gadman, Thurston County Treasurer.

#### **Executive Session**

At 4:35 p.m., Commissioner Bob Iyall, Port of Olympia Commission President, announced that the Commission would recess into a closed Executive Session until 5:30 p.m. (1) to discuss agency litigation with legal counsel representing the agency per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and (2) to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase under RCW 42.30.110(1)(b).

Commissioner Iyall returned the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. and stated they were in Executive Session until 5:20 p.m. No decisions were made and no action was taken.

### Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Harding moved to amend the agenda by moving Item J.1. Tax Levy presentation to occur after G.1. Pending Issues or Business and to continue the prior executive session to consider selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase under RCW 42.30.110(1)(b) to occur after M. Meeting Announcements. Commissioner Vasavada seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Executive Director Report**

Alex Smith, Executive Director, reported on recent port activities.

### **Public Comment**

One individual provided public comment.

### **Consent Calendar**

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

### **Pending Issues or Business**

<u>Indigenous People's Day</u>. Commissioner Maggie Sanders shared her thoughts in a speech honoring Indigenous People.

### **Advisory Calendar**

<u>2025 Budget: Tax Levy</u>. Jeff Gadman, Thurston County Treasurer, provided an overview of the tax levy process and how they affect the Port of Olympia.

#### **Action Calendar**

None.

### **Action/Other Calendar**

None.

# **Advisory Calendar**

<u>2025 Budget: Non-Operating Budget</u>. Tad Kopf, Director of Finance, provided an update on the Port of Olympia's 2025 Non-Operating budget.

### **Public Comment**

Two individuals 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.

#### **Executive Session**

At 6:26 p.m., Commissioner Bob Iyall, Port of Olympia Commission President, announced that the Commission would meet in a closed Executive Session until 7:00 p.m. to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase under RCW 42.30.110(1)(b).

Commissioner Iyall returned the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and stated that no decisions were made and no action was taken.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

# PORT OF OLYMPIA COMMISSION

Jasmine Vasavada, Vice President

Amy Harding, Commissioner

Maggie Sanders, Commissioner