

**PORT OF GOLD BEACH
BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S
REGULAR MEETING
May 19, 2016**

PRESENT:

Milt Walker, President
Charles Riddle, Secretary
Bill Fowler, Commissioner
Mark Lottis, Commissioner
Bill McNair, Vice President

ABSENT:

James Clemens, Port Manager
Jeff Kemp, Accountant

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm by Commissioner Walker, Board President. Roll was called and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: Kelly Timchak, Watershed Council, announced a Rogue River Clean-up on June 11, 2016. She also noted that there is an upcoming beach clean-up and in the past, the Port has partnered with the Watershed Council by providing the transfer of the refuse cleared from Port property. Kelly announced that Jim Hunt gravel bar project is complete and looks amazing. Unfortunately, some of the logs that were placed to lessen erosion have washed down river but have landed on the Freeman property and are still doing their job. Kitty Bunten, Executive Director of Oregon Research, Resources, and Education Center, provided the Board with explanation of what ORREC plans to provide the community and how they will develop the program. Kitty noted that ORREC was interested in partnering with the Port to create an interpretive center that provides educational field lab opportunities. Funding is being provided through a private investor, donations, and there are future grant possibilities if partnerships with the watershed, forestry, and the Port Orford Marine Reserve materialize. She stated that the research would be designed to benefit the commercial and recreational fishing industries; creating a sustainable fishing environment. In approximately 2 to 3 years, ORREC plans to move to a facility that will be built in Euchre Creek, Ophir but noted that the improvements to the Industrial Complex would remain, at no charge to the Port. Terry Brayer, introduced himself and noted that he is a resident of Nesika Beach and is currently running for State Representative House District 1.

HUNTLEY PARK: Shawn Wallace noted that camping has been steady, despite the poor fishing revenues have exceeded last year's. He filed a report with law enforcement when campers stole a soap dispenser from the bathroom wall and generators from other campers; they were apprehended. They discussed the possibility of adding electricity to some sites.

SHOP SUPERVISOR: Aaron Duncan stated that new hoist is working well and the Port will be following up with Fishermen's Direct and NorCal concerning the policy for operation. Fowler asked about training and Clemens explained that a person can have access to the hoist once training has been completed, but there are some safety issues that need to be discussed; Fowler and Clemens will continue to follow up on this subject. Duncan also briefed the Board on the broken glass door in the Industrial Complex, the progress on repairs to the docks, and to the marina fuel pump/tank, He noted that Clean Marine training has been scheduled for the employees and that the glass door to the Industrial Complex was broken. He reported that gravel has been brought in to fill the potholes, and speed/parking concerns are increasing.

OLD BUSINESS:

Clemens provided Jack Akin's interim report; 45,000 cubic yards of material was dredged, in approximately 30 days, on a permit that allowed 67,000. The permits opens on October 1st and Clemens noted that it would take approximately one day to be prepared and ready to dredge but there are several variables to be considered. He briefed the Board on subjects discussed at the recent Coalition meeting, the Army Corp of Engineers' plans for dredging, and on a proposal for dredging the harbor basin channel.

Mark Lottis announced that the Sea Lion Patrol's payroll will be funded by Curry Sportsfishing again this year. He proposed that the boat and other miscellaneous items be transferred to the Port of Gold Beach, with the understanding that it would be transferred back to Curry Sportsfishing if the Sea lion Patrol Program ceased to operate. Registration, maintenance, fuel, and pyrotechnic costs were discussed. **McNair moved to accept the Curry Sportsfishing Sea lion Patrol boat and all of the necessary equipment; the motion was seconded by Fowler; motion passed by a vote of 5 for, 0 against.** Clemens will obtain this year's permit

NEW BUSINESS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: To approve the April 21, 2016 minutes with noted corrections. Motion made by Walker, the seconded by Riddle; motion passed by a vote of 3 for, 0 against, McNair and Lottis abstained.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

MOTION: To accept accounts payable for April 22, 2016. Motion made by Riddle and seconded by Fowler; motion passed by a vote of 5 for, 0 against.

MOTION: To accept accounts payable for May 05, 2016. Motion made by McNair and seconded by Walker; motion passed by a vote of 5 for, 0 against.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE: Clemens explained the Harrison and Jones past due accounts.

BUDGET REPORT: Jeff Kemp presented the Board with the March 2016 Budget report. He explained the revenues received, large expenditures, and account transfers. Kemp asked about budgeting \$5000 for Sea lion Patrol, **Walker moved to allocate \$5000 towards the Sea lion Patrol Program, the motion was seconded by Fowler; motion passed by a a vote of 5 for, o against.**

MANAGER'S REPORT: Walker read a letter sent to the Board by Bob Thain. It is a request to have the Mary D Hume removed for the harbor area. Clemens noted that the Mary D. Hume is still registered as a historic site and nothing could be done until it has been removed from the list. It was noted that the Port does not have any authority over the Mary D. Hume and ownership is unknown; Clemens will continue to research the subject. Clemens presented the Cannery building occupant's plan for a billboard; the Board agreed that the Port should not become involved. Marine Board Marine Event Permit Rogue Boat Race Permit was presented for the manager's signature and the event will occur in July. Marine Fuel Pump gage is being replaced. Port Industrial Building (Moore St Facility) the back northwest wall has been braced and a garage door has been repaired. FedEx has confirmed that they will sign an agreement for continued use of the building that includes a utility fee, through September. He noted that there is a lot of interest for the building. Clemens informed the Commissioners that the Calvary Church is interested in doing some Amphitheater improvements. They will be providing plans for consideration. WH Pacific has provided the Port with Gold Beach Municipal Airport User and Business/Community Member User Surveys. Clemens announced that a Dockside Discussion will be held on June 14th from 12-2:00 p.m. The Seafood Project is being hosted by the Southwestern Oregon Food System Collaborative. In September, Cycle Oregon will be using

Huntley Park as a rest stop; setting aside the group camp area. Milt Walker noted that the election of officers should be on next month's agenda.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS: Bill Fowler; None, Charles Riddle; None, Mark Lottis; None. McNair briefed the Board regarding his and Clemens' presentation to Rotary on Wednesday. Milt Walker; none.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: Terry Brayer mentioned that the comments regarding the Old Mill Site were well received by Rotary. The Port's involvement in the project was not widely known and the group felt very enlightened. Terry Brayer thanked the Board and passed along that he enjoyed attending the Board meeting.

ADJOURN:

MOTION: To adjourn the regular meeting of May 19, 2016 made by McNair and second by Walker; motion was passed by a vote of 5 for, and 0 against at 8:32 P.M.