

PORT OF ORCAS
Minutes of the Special Meeting
February 13th, 2020

Call to order and confirmation of a quorum

The meeting was called to order by Chair Kartiganer at 5:00pm in the Airport Conference Room. A quorum was present with Commissioners Triplett, vonTobel and Guimond present. Members of the public were present.

Agenda Amendments

The Chair called for and made amendments to the draft agenda which are reflected in these minutes.

Old Business

1. The chair noted that upon receipt of the submitted questions about the Master Plan, DOWL identified the FAA as the authoritative respondent to those questions and recommended arranging their response at a future date. As such, the chair cancelled the presentation by DOWL and the FAA was not available on short notice to attend this meeting.

Public Access Time

The Chair opened public access time at 5:03 P.M. Sadie Bailey encouraged attention to the San Juan County Comprehensive Plan revision Transportation Element, noted intent for Customs presence and then raised concerns about fencing of the planting area. Dwight Guss raised concerns about vehicle thefts and burglaries and recommending updating the security system of the airport. Paul Vierthaler raised concerns about the Master Plan preferred alternative and Airport Layout Plan's recommendation to purchase adjoin properties suggesting those depictions and intentions have spooked potential buyers. His concern was seconded by Rick Fant who called for the commission to rescind approval of prior chapters (1-4) of the Master Plan and to start over. Orcas Island Parks and Recreation's Bob Eagan and Orcas Off Leash Area's Kathy Pearson addressed the status of the shelter in Northeast Parcel. Public Access was closed at 5:26 P.M.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from January's meetings were not available for the meeting.

New Business

1. The commissioners held preliminary discussions with representatives from OPALCO regarding various models of acquisition, ownership and cost recovery for electric vehicle charging stations as well as seeking ways to install stations on the Southeast Parcel of the airport or another location. There was preliminary discussion about OPLACO ownership requiring easements which is probably not viable with FAA restrictions.

Approval of Vouchers

vonTobel moved, Guimond seconded approval of the February 2020-A General Fund Voucher in the amount of \$9,862.81, the February 2020-A Capital Fund Voucher in the amount of \$129,816.17 and the January 2020 Payroll in the amount of \$3,866.57 for a total of \$143,545.55. The question was called and was carried unanimously.

Old Business

1. The commissioners discussed adding an Associates or Technical Degree requirement to the job description and posting immediately on the website and other normal means. Chair Kartiganer will provide final wording and locations for posting to Consultant Simpson for execution.

2. The commissioners discussed Public Records Officer appointment and reserved, without objection, responsibilities to the Consultant Simpson.

New Business (continued)

2. The commissioners discussed aspects of the draft revision of the Transportation Element of the San Juan County Comprehensive Plan with specific focus on the proposals regarding establishment of a Customs and Border Patrol office (Port of Entry) on Orcas, as well as pending discussion with Congressman Rick Larsen with Commissioners Kartiganer and Guimond representing the Port. Commissioner vonTobel provided copies to the other commissioners of pending legislation related to airports and comprehensive plans.

Public Access Time

The Chair re-opened. Sadie Bailey advocated for an EIS to get out of separating the Runway and Taxiway. Kim Secunda addressed the commission about the CUP application for propane storage on Seaview Street, documentation regarding plantings on the West Side and encouraging discussion with the Sewer District regarding their expansion plans. Sadie Bailey addressed the commission again to inquire about the efficacy or need for a clerk in the interim of finding an Airport Manager. Public Access was closed at 6:25 P.M.

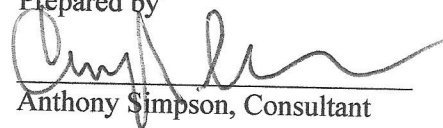
Next Meeting and Adjournment

The Chair set the next Regular Meeting for March 12th, 2020 at 5:00 PM. Triplett moved to adjourn, Kartiganer seconded. The question was called and passed unanimously and Chair closed the session at 6:28 pm.



Steve Hopkins, Commissioner and Secretary

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