

**PORT OF ORCAS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 23, 2023**

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Commissioners Present: Mia Kartiganer, Michael Triplett, Jason Laursen, Bea vonTobel, Robert Hamilton (via zoom)

Staff Present: Kim Kimple

Public Present: Pierrette Guimond, Bruce Benton Eric Gourley, Sadie Bailey, Colleen Records, Ed Addicks, Lora York, Marcy Montgomery, Zackaraya Leck, "Will", (et al not verified)

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hamilton called the zoom and in-person meeting to order at 5:00pm, noting a quorum.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS

Chair Hamilton asked to include WPPA meeting comments under Old Business.

PUBLIC ACCESS

None at this time.

ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

Bea nominated Robert for chair; Michael nominated Bea for secretary. Bea moved nominations cease; motion passed, and the officers were elected by acclamation.

MONTHLY BUSINESS

1. Approval of Previous Minutes

Michael moved, Jason seconded approval of minutes of regular meeting of December 19 and special meeting of January 16, 2022, and the motion passed.

2. Approval of Vouchers Paid by Auditing Officer

Michael moved, Mia seconded approval of vouchers a.-c. as presented, and the motion passed.

- a. 12/2/2002 Payroll \$9,568.72
- b. 01/18/23 Airport Operations \$13,926.30
- c. 01/18/2023 Airport Capitol \$63,041.50

MONTHLY REPORTS

1. Manager's and Facilities Report

The port manager expanded on the reports, posted earlier online. A future discussion item concerned the needs to have snowplowing completed in-house. Also discussed were the ongoing expenses for wetland maintenance.

2. Financial Reports

These reports have been posted online.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Airlift Northwest Satellite Base Update and Requests

Kyle Danielson and Colleen Records were present to explain items related to the daily presence of a medevac helicopter at the airport. They have secured quarters for their staff on the west side, but quick access to the helipad remains a problem. They are also requesting a power source at the helipad, installation of a camera for safety/surveillance, availability of jet A fuel.

2. EV Charging Grant Application Update

Bruce Benton was present to elaborate on the upcoming meeting with Kim on Wednesday to finish work on the grant application which is due at the end of the month. The application includes a level 3 fast-charge station at the airport., and successful application would supplement the current 7 public charging stations currently on the island.

3. Eastsound Sewer and Water Use of Port Property for Passage Update

Robert reported on a meeting with ESWU in which the current resolution was under discussion. He suggested that at a future meeting the commissioners consider a rewriting of this resolution.

4. Property Issues: County Airport Overlay District

Mia reported that an upcoming meeting with Karen Miles, David Williams, Commissioner vonTobel and Kim, scheduled for 1/30, will hopefully help with interpretation of the newly-updated Chapter 18 of the SJCC, especially as it concerns development within the Eastsound Subarea and densities and height restrictions, especially within the overlay district. Investigation of a property sale on the north shore continues relative to right of first refusal.

5. WPPA Meetings and Comments

Robert reported on meetings he had attended, relaying contacts made and information gleaned. Kim noted that she had attended a December meeting, and looked forward to others as they occurred.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Waive Attorney-Client Privilege Re: Vierthaler Property Acquisition—Legal Invoices

Mia moved, Jason seconded waiving the port's attorney-client privilege re the Vierthaler Property Acquisition so far as legal invoices are concerned, and the motion passed. This clears the way for the FAA to finish this transaction with regard to payment.

PUBLIC ACCESS

Comments from both the public and commissioners are summarized as follows:

- is there a space competition for space at the helipad by vendors which creates a space/time constraint?
- public does not want jet A fuel available at the port
- will the port charge for access to the high-speed charging station
- does the port have a Facebook page---and should it
- the current master plan has been driven by the size of the Caravans currently serving the airport

NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 5:00pm Monday February 27, zoom and in-person. The meeting was adjourned at 6:28pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bea vonTobel, Secretary