

## Port of Cascade Locks

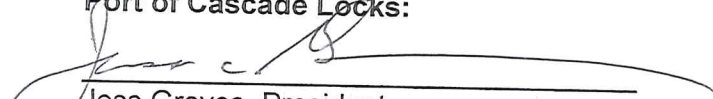
The Port of Cascade Locks Commission Business Meeting was held Thursday, November 3, 2016, at the City of Cascade Locks Council Chambers, Cascade Locks, OR 97014.

- 1) **Meeting called to order/ Pledge of Allegiance:** Commission President Groves called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm. Commissioner Caldwell arrived at 6:20pm.
  - **Roll Call:** Commissioners Groves, Lorang, and Bump were present. Commissioner Stipan was excused.
  - **Others Present:** GM Paul Koch, Secretary Sally Moore, Accounting Specialist Melissa Warren, Maintenance & Construction Manager Todd Mohr, Marketing & Development Manager Holly Howell, City Administrator Gordon Zimmerman, Dave Jursik, CGRA, Bill Symes, CGRA and camera operator Betty Rush.
  - **Modifications, Additions, & Changes to the Agenda:** GM Koch added a new Item number 5.
  - **Declaration of Potential Conflicts of Interest: None**
- 2) **Public Comment (Speakers may be limited to three (3) minutes:**
  - (a) Economic Development Manager Don Mann stated that Willis and Chris Boyer, owners of Ravenwood Group Inc. were present to sign the Option Agreement with the Port of Cascade Locks. The company plans to purchase the Parkview property on WaNaPa Street and build commercial and residential space. Their site plan and finance package is almost finished. They hope to break ground in the spring of 2017. They signed the Option Agreement and pictures were taken.

**Commissioner Caldwell arrived at 6:20pm.**
  - (b) City Administrator, Gordon Zimmerman reported the rainfall for October was 18 inches. It broke the record from 1932. He reported the total number of residential building permits is 32 so far this year.
- 3) **Special Presentations & Reports by outside resources, staff and Government Officials None**
  - a. **Annual report from CGRA** – Dave Jursik and Bill Symes, Columbia River Gorge Racing Association Board Members, gave an update on the 2016 sailing season. GM Koch stated growing the sailing plan is part of the Port's SBP. It is a big part of the community as well. CP Groves mentioned the fact that CGRA would eventually move out into the Business Park. Dave Jursik stated this is the 20<sup>th</sup> year in CL. It is the best venue in the world for sailing small sailboats with plenty of wind. Dave and Bill gave a brief overview of last year's highlights and their plans for connecting with the community more in the future. Commissioner Lorang suggested setting up a special meeting with CGRA to educate the community and the businesses about the sailing program. Dave Jursik stated 2016 was a very successful year.

- 4) **Commissioner and Commission sub-committee reports** – CP Groves discussed the PNWA conference that he and Economic Development Manager Don Mann attended in Vancouver, regarding funding for transportation in Cascade Locks. Don mentioned WSDOT is applying for the FAST ACT funds for transportation on SR 14. CP Groves stated the new Flex 2 Building design and costs were discussed at the EDSC meeting and are still being finalized. CP Groves stated Don Mann is moving forward with obtaining letters of interest for the new building. Also discussed for financing was going to the Bank or the State. Nothing was decided.
- 5) **General Manager Report:** GM Koch stated there was Federal approval designating the Bridge of the Gods as part of the National Highway System. This will now allow the Port to apply for federal grant funding for the bridge. GM Koch, CP Groves and other Port staff, met with all of the Port Executive Directors in the area to get all of the Port Presidents together from time to time. The Port of Klickitat has decided to join OneGorge. GM Koch stated that the Port would start a reorganization effort at the Port Office as it grows. Jeff is lead toll taker at the bridge and is doing a great job. There is an advertisement out for a BOG Manager.
- 6) **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 8:10PM.

**Port of Cascade Locks:**

  
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Jess Groves, President  
Port Commission

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Joieinne Caldwell, Secretary  
Port Commission

DATE APPROVED: 1-26-17  
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