

Port of Cascade Locks Special Meeting

The Port of Cascade Locks Commission Special Meeting was held Thursday, December 14, 2017 at Marine Park in the Pavilion, Cascade Locks, OR 97014.

- 1) **Meeting called to order/ Pledge of Allegiance:** Commission President Groves called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.
 - **Roll Call:** Commissioners Groves, Caldwell, Lorang, Stipan and Bump were present.
 - **Others Present:** GM Paul Koch, Secretary Sally Moore, Accounting Specialist Melissa Warren, Bridge Operations Manager Ryan Vollans, Maintenance & Construction Manager Todd Mohr.
 - **Modifications, Additions, & Changes to the Agenda:** None
 - **Declaration of Potential Conflicts of Interest:** None
- 2) **Public Comments (Speakers may be limited to three (3) minutes) - None**
- 3) **Special Presentations & Reports by outside resources, staff and Government Officials**
 - a. **Review of proposed modifications to (BOG) Bridge of the Gods 15-year Maintenance & Preservation Plan** – GM Koch stated the first 10-year plan was created in 2014 after the Bridge was restored to an 80,000-pound limit. Engineers recommended a phased approach to maintain and preserve the Bridge. Bridge Manager Ryan Vollans stated that the Commission reviews the Maintenance & Preservation plan annually for the 97-year-old bridge. Ryan has been meeting with the GM and Bridge Engineers on a regular basis to refine this year's plan. He noted that last year it was a 30-year plan. Ryan stated that the Engineers have recommended to modify it to a 15-year plan as the numbers become meaningless. The plan was reviewed and staff were directed to prioritize the levels of the work to be done by working with the Bridge Engineers. Important projects in this plan include tolling technology installations, repainting of the Bridge, seismic retrofits, deck replacement and \$25 million to build a bicycle and pedestrian crossing structure attached to the Bridge. Ryan stated the Port Commission is reviewing an increase in tolls for 3 – 8 axle trucks, RV's and buses only. Tolls will increase to \$3 per axle for customers paying with cash or card. CP Groves stated that the intersection at Toll Booth Road and Wa Na Pa Street is the responsibility of ODOT; adding this is a dangerous intersection and needs to be fixed. CP Groves stated that painting needs to be a priority and possible done in phases annually. Ryan stated that it may be proposed to add a "Fly by Lane" in 2021; noting that with the increase in traffic this should speed up the tolling on the bridge. He stated that the Port has been in discussions with the Port of Hood River to use the same type of transponder and back office for administration. The plan will come before the Commission to be adopted on January 18, 2018.

- 4) **Adjournment: COMMISSIONER CALDWELL MOTIONED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LORANG. The motion was unanimous. 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.**

Port of Cascade Locks:



Jess Groves, President
Port Commission

Attest:



Joeinne Caldwell, Secretary
Port Commission

DATE APPROVED: 3/1/2018
Prepared by: Sally Moore