

MINUTES OF PORT OF MATTAWA COMMISSIONERS MEETING

November 13, 2017

Commissioner Leland called the meeting to order at 12:05pm, at the Port of Mattawa office. Those present were Commissioners Leland, Wise, and Dayton. Also present was Executive Director Bob Adler, Assistant Director Lars Leland, Secretary Linda Watkins, and Darryl Percy City of Mattawa City Planner. Commissioner Dayton made a motion to sign and approve October minutes. Commissioner Wise seconded, motion carried.

Darryl Percy came to discuss the City of Mattawa moving forward with the Port of Mattawa working together, to become partners. As growth down here at Pat-Chee will be involving the City and Port, we can become a team. Commissioners and Darryl discussed options for future jobs in the Mattawa area, and the possibility of annexation of the Port into the City, which would offer the Port, City services and other amenities that would be an asset to the Port.

Bob meant with Jerry Milbrandt and Katherine from the Wahluke Wine Company, who will be his main person for any business issues. Both parties attorneys were present, and Jerry asked to remove interest from the late lease payment. Attorney Ries responded telling them, it would be like gifting funds, as the Port is a public entity.

Commissioners discussed Budget/Levy for 2018. Bob told Commissioners, he and Lars created a separate budget, and then combined the two. Commissioners asked questions on the budget, which were answered with information Bob and Lars obtained from 2017 Budget. The main concern from the Commissioners was the unpredictable expenses, such as 2017 pump replacement. Commissioner Dayton suggested using an asterisk (*) to explain if an item had changed significantly for 2018 Budget. All Commissioners agreed.

Wood Box factory is scheduled to be out of the building by the end of the year. Commissioners discussed the situation. If he is not out by December 31, 2017, they will decide what to do at that time. Roy Taylor property was paid off last month. Commissioners discussed CERB loans, with interest of 1.5%, of which loan #5 has no interest, and if they want to payoff them also. The Grant County SIP Loans are also interest free. Commissioners will make that decision later.

Grant County Fire District #8 has approached the Port of Mattawa and would like to purchase two lots on the corner of Hiway 243, and 22.5 to build a new Fire Station. They will help with

infrastructure, putting in a road, and keeping water lines clean. Commissioners discussed prices, they agreed on \$29,000.00 per acre, and will let Bob and Lars negotiate with them.

Commissioner Dayton made a motion to sign and approve Resolution #2017-05, approving the 2018 Budget and Levy Certification. Commissioner Wise seconded. Motion passed.

Commissioner Wise asked Bob to present all Port Leases and an arrangement overview for Lars and Commissioners, so they will know exactly where they are with customers, wastewater and water situations. Bob will be retiring next month, and will help the Port on demand, as they need him.

All Commissioners and Lars are attending the annual WPPA meeting in downtown Seattle Wednesday – Friday.

Commissioner Wise made a motion to sign and approve Vouchers #9678-0703, in the amount of \$38,798.85. Commissioner Dayton seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Wise made a motion to adjourn, motion seconded and carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:45pm.

Glenn Leland

Jim Wise

Lauri Dayton

Linda Watkins