



## Commissioners Meeting

*Meeting Minutes for April 8th, 2019 at Port of Mattawa*

**Commissioners:** Jim Wise (present), Lauri Dayton (present), Glenn Leland (present)

**Present:** Lars Leland (Director), Linda Watkins (Secretary), Grant County Commissioner Cindy Carter, Grant County Mental Health Gail Goodwin, Columbia Basin Herald Rachel Pinkerton.

**Meeting called to order at 12:03pm by Jim Wise**

- **Welcome/Introduction of Guests**
  - Grant County Mental Health
    - Gayle Goodwin and County Commissioner Cindy Carter came to discuss developing Mental Health services in our area. They are looking for more space, as they are in the WIC Building with one room. They want to expand services, support employment and housing, and substance use services. They would, like about 2,500 sq. ft. and have 4-5 people employed. They are also interested in purchasing the land. Lars will follow up with them.
- **Approve Minutes of Last Meeting**
  - Commissioners reviewed the March 18<sup>th</sup> 2019 minutes; Lauri motioned to approve; by Glenn seconded the motion, all in favor.
- **Review of Financial Statements & Approve Warrants**
  - Commissioners reviewed Financial Statements and signed Warrants issued reports for March 2019.
- **Tenant Updates**
  - Larry Howell
    - Lars talked to Larry Howell, owner of Blueline Building. Lars will meet with him next week to discuss the lease, as market rates have increased. Commissioner Wise may attend.
  - Sanchez
    - Lars and Commissioner Wise had a meeting with Maria and Francisco Sanchez. Lars and Commissioner Wise explained to them the market rates have increased, therefore rent will increase. Sanchez signed new Lease with January-March old prices, April forward new rates. It was also noted, Leases have increased since 2017 from \$10,000-\$18,000 per month.



- **Old Business**

- Grant County PUD
  - Lars Leland and Lauri Dayton meet with the Grant County PUD February 26<sup>th</sup>. They have expressed to utilizing port facilities and having a larger presence in the Mattawa Area.
- JW Congregation
  - Lars will sign closing documents on 3.25 acres with JW Congregation, in Moses Lake at 4:30pm today for a balance of \$123,400.00.
- West Richland – 3/26
  - The Port toured West Richland MBR water system, and gathered information for future water contracts with tenants and samples.
- M&I Water
  - Ben Volk from J-U-B Engineering told Lars M&I projects need to be addressed. He Advised Lars to get support from Ecology, and possibly prelease water rights, Lars Will meet with J-U-B soon..
- Water Study
  - Lars had a phone meeting with Katie Isaksen. She will be here May 13, for a meeting to present a draft 2019 comprehensive water rate study to Commissioners for input.
- SIP – 4/15
  - Lars is working on an SIP Grant from Grant County for Rock excavation and dirt removal at Industrial Park.
- Spring Meeting – Spokane; 5/15 to 5/17
  - All Commissioners and Lars will attend.
- Azteca Produce
  - Lars did some research on Azteca Produce; they are a solid reputable Company. Per letter the project will cost about \$350,000. Lars will fine tune project, and ask them to meeting next month.

- **New Business**

- Grant County Public Hospital District No. 5
  - They are interested in leasing 10 acres for a 25 bed emergency hospital and working on Funding per letter. Lars is working with them and will report to Commissioners.
- Resolution 2019 – 02



- This Resolution will authorize Lars to surplus any item the Port is not using, up to \$10,000 per item, per year. Commissioner Dayton made a motion to approve, Commissioner Leland seconded, motion passed.
- RECON – May 19 – 22
  - Lars will attend RECON in Las Vegas with GCEDC, he will work on recruiting business and clients for the Port. Commissioner Dayton made a motion to pay his airfare motels, food, and fuel. Motion seconded and passed.
- **Comments**
  - No comments were given.
- **Next Regular Commissioners Meeting: May 13h, 2019 @ 12:00pm at Port of Mattawa**
- **Meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm by Glenn Leland.**

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**Jim Wise**

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**Lauri Dayton**

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**Glenn Leland**