

## COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

March 11, 2014 – 10:00 a.m.

Those present were:

Chairman, Commissioner Gary Weaver  
Commissioner Kenny Schutte  
Commissioner Terry Thompson  
Executive Director Doyle Palmer  
Admin Assistant Kim Coreson

Chairman Gary Weaver called the meeting to order.

It was moved K. Schutte, seconded by T. Thompson that the agenda be approved. T. Thompson moved, and K. Schutte seconded to approve last meeting's minutes. After discussion over the bill from JUB for \$24,000, vouchers were approved in a motion by T. Thompson, seconded by K. Schutte.

D. Palmer announced that a letter announcing the Airport's hangar lease rate changes would be going out this month. Discussion regarding the ability to test the lights on the Airport runway led to a motion by K. Schutte that the Port purchase a remote control radio for the purpose of testing the lights at the airport. T. Thompson seconded the motion.

K. Schutte brought up concern about our fuel tanks being in compliance with the requirement of having a containment plan in place. D. Palmer agreed to do some research to see what the law is and what it will take to comply. It is not clear who owns the tanks that Flite Level Zero is using fuel out of. D. Palmer will research that. It was discussed that we will need a plan from both businesses at the airport that use fuel tanks.

*MOTION:*

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D. Palmer brought to the Commissioners' attention that Simplot has purchased property from Curt Andrews. Discussion regarding whether they are in our service area, what requirements do we have on new expansion and how much water we can allot to them resulted in the call for a special meeting. A special meeting was scheduled for March 17<sup>th</sup> at noon to review and revise the current water contracts and policies. They also changed the date of the regular meeting to March 18<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. to accommodate better attendance at the upcoming meeting.

D. Palmer agreed to look into whether or not Mr. Elmore has signed off on the right-of-way at the Bruce Industrial Site.

D. Palmer will be testifying a Legislative review board regarding our application for the CERB Feasibility Study Grant. Grace Shelby from the Adams County Development Council will be going to testify with him.

Polo Garza has expressed to the Port that he is no longer interested in the 40 acres at the Bruce Industrial Site unless he can find a grant.

D. Palmer asked the Commissioners permission for K. Coreson to attend the Export Readiness Seminar put on and paid for by Adams County Development Council. The board gave her authorization to go.

The Port has leased Suite B of 705 E. Hemlock to McKay Farms, Suite C has been leased to Mid-Columbia Mobile Testing, and Suite E has been leased to Healing Touch Massage. Regarding the irrigation water meter that we were going to put in, D. Palmer found that there were significant hidden costs that make it an unreasonable purchase. The sign in front of the building is in process. The locates have been ordered and they will be marked within 7 days of the order.

At 615 Broadway, there are two businesses that are interested in entering into conversation with us about building there, with various levels of assistance. G. Weaver suggested they give D. Palmer their plan to submit to the Commissioners or come to a meeting to present it for themselves.

D. Palmer indicated that Mike Crosier would like to present an idea to the Commissioners. He is interested in a bridge going in at White Bluffs and possibly a gas pipeline. The Commissioners discussed the implications and agreed to hear from M r. Crosier at an upcoming meeting.

K. Schutte asked if the farm leases are in order for this year. D. Palmer assured him that, yes, they are.

There being no further business, it was moved by T. Thompson and seconded by K. Schutte that the meeting be adjourned.

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Attest: Kim Coreson, Clerk