

C. Faix will look into the Lee Road property and find out if there are any code or land use restrictions.

C. Faix has not heard from Sackmann. His last contact was that he was working on adding the covenants to the most recent land sale. The Commissioners have agreed to extend the 90 day period on the sale if needed.

Due to Covid-19 mandated closures, it was decided that rent can be waived on a case by case basis.

K. Schutte motioned to accept Resolution 2020-4 A Resolution to Grant Authority to the Executive Director regarding Port business in regards to Covid-19, G. Weaver second and motion passed.

K. Schutte motioned to accept Resolution 2020-5 A Resolution adopting a policy for Port Commissioners attendance at a meeting by remote communication, G. Weaver second and motion passed.

G. Weaver motioned to declare a State of Emergency for the Port of Othello, K. Schutte second and motion passed.

It was decided that due to the restrictions on public gatherings, the Port will conduct the bid opening as scheduled on March 31st and allow the contractors to attend the meeting via remote communication. The bid will be awarded approximately a week later. An email will be sent to each bidder with the names of the companies who bid and the bid amounts.

C. Faix found the RCW that regulates the length of loans the Port can get. It was discovered that a loan for 40 years through USDA is acceptable.

G. Weaver motioned to adjourn meeting at 11:05, K. Schutte second and motion passed.

Deena Vietzke, Chairwoman

Kenny Schutte

Gary Weaver



COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

March 24th, 2020 - 9:00 am

Those present were:

Commissioner Gary Weaver Commissioner Deena Vietzke Commissioner Kenny Schutte Executive Director Chris Faix Executive Assistant Carmon Derting Consultant Doyle Palmer (excused)

Guests:

Called to order at 9.05am

- G. Weaver made a motion to approve the Agenda, K. Schutte second the motion and it was passed.
- G. Weaver made a motion to approve the Minutes for the 3/24/2020 meetings, K. Schutte second the motion and it was passed.
- G. Weaver made a motion to approve Vouchers, K. Schutte second the motion and it was passed.
- C. Faix handed the Commissioners the new estimate from TD&H and let them know that the Port is still able to do ½ grant and ½ loan and there would need to be 10% down. TD&H still wants to come to the Special Meeting on March 31st.
- K. Schutte talked about the Broadband Tour. C. Faix handed out the packet of information that was received. There is a possible cost of \$3 million. There is a guaranteed \$1 million grant available so only \$2 million worth of funding needed. J. Poire is willing to come to a meeting and take a tour of Othello to see what wiring is already here. He would be willing to help get it put up and then receive 15-30% of the fees. CERB may be an option for funding for a feasibility grant.

The quotes for the Hangar 4 Project might come in overbudget. Upon seeing the actual quotes, change orders can be made to lower the price, if needed. C. Faix explained that the firewall and fuel containment systems were not part of the original budget.

One of the wheel line motors needed to be replaced. The renter bought the motor and presented the Port with the receipt and the renter was reimbursed. The renter also discovered some of the piping has been damaged and will need to be replaced. The Port with pay for the replacement pipes. There was a Booster pump that was added in 2014, for the 23-acre parcel, at a cost of \$25,000, which included the station, wiring and vault. The Port payed the renter \$9,457.99 for the wiring and reduced the land rent by \$3,876 to reimburse the renter.

C. Faix will have a meeting with S. Logan about a project that is being discussed and then schedule a time for him to come to a meeting. CERB has opened up to apply for a Planning Grant. The Commissioners discussed selling the land to the City at a reduced cost and have them bring the water and sewer line up and not charge the Port for the connection fee.