



COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

February 14, 2023 – 9:00 am

Those present were:

Commissioner Gary Weaver
Commissioner Deena Vietzke
Commissioner Kenny Schutte

Executive Director Chris Faix
Executive Assistant Carmon Derting

Guests: Mark Conner
Brad Boersma

Called to order at 9:00 am.

K. Schutte made a motion to approve the agenda, G. Weaver second, motion passed
G. Weaver made a motion to approve minutes from January 24th, 2023 meetings, K. Schutte second, motion passed
G. Weaver made a motion to approve vouchers, clarification was made on the Sackmann Law Offices invoice and the Lad invoice. K. Schutte second, motion passed.

Brad Boersma

He joined the meeting to discuss length of land lease and other needed items. There was an agreement to review the lease contract every 5 years and clarification and agreement that it is no longer to be used as a residence. There are questions on the egress/regress and specific parcel description. It was suggested that someone talk to the fire department about the 2nd egress. A copy of the septic tank engineering is needed. Guests excused themselves.

The Commissioners discussed changes in language for the water service, a monthly line charge and also would like to see if the water service can be turned off if it is noticed that someone is living there. A survey will be needed and should be done on each of the leased areas to determine location and size of each lot. It was discussed that if it is necessary to hire a survey company to come in, that the people asking for the survey will also be asked to pay for it. C. Faix will contact the County to discuss legal right ways.

Airport

Fuel Master is ready to do the FMLIVE Aviation system upgrade needed for the Fuel pumps. It will be about \$12654 for the equipment and the installation will be extra. There is an annual fee of about \$1440 for the service. This upgrade will eliminate the need for CenturyLink.

G. Weaver made the motion to install the Fuel master upgrade for \$12,654 plus installation, K. Schutte second, motion passed.

Bruce

The water tower has been cleaned.

The water tower painting contract is still in place, but with items that need be changed. A different company did the cleaning as the contracted company did not return phone calls. Water storage needs to be provided during the painting or painting needs to be postponed until the new tower is in place.

The CERB deadline has been moved to end of March due to lack of response from Private Partners.

The Port has decided we will lease the farm ground for the 2023 season and plans to be finished by August 15th. In the agreement, he will pay the water plus \$100 per acre and make sure the area is clean when he leaves.

Road 26/Reynolds:

C. Faix presented the Purchase and Sale agreement. He also reviewed the questions he asked of Meritage as well as their responses with the Commissioners. The Commissioners have requested contingencies for dropping out the contract defined. The property is being sold as is and needs to be clarification on the 90 days due diligence period. There is also currently 2 accesses off of Reynolds and it is believed that once the canal is buried, there will be access from Concrete Drive. This may not be adequate for the buyer. C. Faix will send the agreement to Sackmann Law and speak to him about tightening it up. C. Faix did go to Spokane and meet with a hotel company who is looking for land in Othello. If the purchase becomes final, he will pass the information to the buyer.

Other

C. Faix presented the Water Assessments to the Commissioners. C. Faix is going to speak with SEV to determine their need for the water in the future and inform them about future assessments.

With no further business coming before the Port of Othello Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 10:39 am with a motion made by G. Weaver and seconded by K. Schutte.

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Deena Vietzke, Chairperson

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Carmon Derting, Executive Assistant