

COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES

December 12, 2023 – 9:00 am

Those present were:

Commissioner Gary Weaver
Commissioner Deena Vietzke
Commissioner Kenny Schutte

Executive Director Chris Faix
Executive Assistant Carmon Derting

Called to order at 9:00 am.

G. Weaver made a motion to approve the agenda; K. Schutte seconded, motion passed.

K. Schutte made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting; G. Weaver seconded; motion passed.

K. Schutte made a motion to approve the vouchers; G. Weaver seconded; motion passed.

Commissioners and guests celebrated the retirement of Commissioner Kenny Schutte from the Port of Othello.

AIRPORT

A person has shown interest in leasing the land west of Flite Level Zero to the rill farmland. He wants to build a hanger and a shop. The person would like to lease it now, but not build it for a couple of years. He will write a proposal to present to the Commissioners. It was suggested to put a time limit on the building. In discussing the water issue, there were suggestions for the tenant to drill their own well, put in their own fire storage, sprinkler the building or put in a holding pond. The Commissioners discussed the access points and placement for a second well, if needed. C. Faix will contact Andy to see what the possibilities could be.

BRUCE

The quote for the new water tower has increased to \$7 million due to the request to loop the whole property. C. Faix informed the Commissioners of the pros and cons of doing the looping. There was discussion of putting the tower in the center of the land instead of the north end. Then loop ½ of the property located on the southern side of the new tower and making tenants/buyers responsible for looping the northern part of the land. C. Faix will speak with JUB to check on the possibility of moving it, the pros, and cons and if there would be additional equipment needed.

HIGHWAY 26/REYNOLDS

Meritage is still discussing the need for an extension. K. Neinke is willing to help figure out the WSDOT plan.

OTHER

D. Vietzke talked about the RDI meeting she attended.

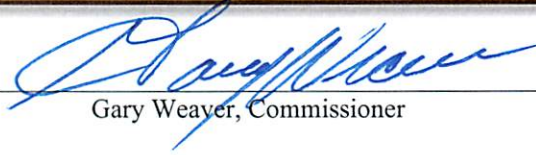
With no further business coming before the Port of Othello Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 10:47 am with a motion made by G. Weaver, K. Schutte second and motion passed.

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Deena Vietzke, Commissioner

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Homer Montemayor, Commissioner


Gary Weaver, Commissioner


Carmon Derting, Executive Assistant