

COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES

March 5, 2024 – 9:30 am

Those present were:

Commissioner Gary Weaver
Commissioner Deena Vietzke
Commissioner Homer Montemayor

Executive Director Chris Faix
Executive Assistant Carmon Derting

Called to order at 9:30 am.

D. Vietzke made a motion to approve the agenda; H. Montemayor seconded, motion passed.

H. Montemayor made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting; D. Vietzke seconded; motion passed.

D. Vietzke made a motion to approve the vouchers; H. Montemayor seconded; motion passed.

AIRPORT

C. Faix gave a correction on how the water rates are charged in Bruce as well as how the annual charge at the airport was calculated. He also gave the Commissioners a copy of the water usage report on the reading done on 2/29/24.

D. Vietzke asked for clarification of the Airport Water Charges last year. There was a motion and passed made last year to change to \$50 and then the next meeting it was changed to equal to Bruce but drop the annual line charge. Both D. Vietzke and C. Faix both commented that they are not aware of any complaints by any of the water users at the airport.

D. Vietzke made a motion to bring back the annual line charge of \$325 for 2 inch and \$487.50 for 3 inch per year at the airport. H. Montemayor second motion, motion passed. G. Weaver opposed. In further discussion, H. Montemayor rescinded his second and the discussion is being tabled for the next meeting.

D. Vietzke thanked C. Faix for trying to make the charges understood and in line and trying to keep everyone out of trouble. She also wanted to let everyone know she did not agree with the change last week as to make sure things do not look like there is favoritism. G. Weaver gave his view of changes and the desire to make them fair. He mentioned the proper way to do an increase is by raising the water usage rates, not the water line charges. H. Montemayor gave his reasoning to why he voted for the reduced water line charges.

Kevin Raver has emailed and said that he is still interested in the project at the airport and is waiting on the paperwork from the State to move forward. The Commissioners will hold off on having a contractor looking at the hangar unit for the FBO.

JUB asked about acquiring more land for water storage. The Commissioner's agreed to use the rill ground and not to do any land acquisition.

BRUCE

C. Faix handed out the updated East Booker Road Land For Sale flyer and let them know we ordered more portfolios.

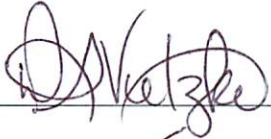
HIGHWAY 26/REYNOLDS

C. Faix was contacted by Meritage. The roundabout at 26/Reynolds is the third in line to be completed and has been confirmed to be fully funded. A letter has been requested to those facts. They do not want to put any more money down and do want the extension. They need at least a one-year extension with a 6-month option on top of that. The Commissioners propose that instead of money, Meritage would put in the Interceptor Drain before the end of the one-year term.

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

OTHER

With no further business coming before the Port of Othello Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 10:43 am with a motion made by D. Vietzke and H. Montemayor second and motion passed.

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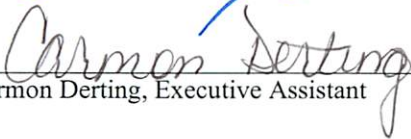
Deena Vietzke, Commissioner

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Homer Montemayor, Commissioner

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Gary Weaver, Commissioner

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Carmon Derting, Executive Assistant