

COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES September 22, 2025 – 9:00 am

Those present were:

Commissioner Gary Weaver (via phone) Commissioner Deena Vietzke Commissioner Homer Montemayor (via phone) Executive Director Chris Faix Executive Assistant Carmon Derting

Called to order at 9:00 am.

- D. Vietzke made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition to airport weeds, Mike Anderson Land, K&L litigation;
- G. Weaver seconded; the motion passed.
- D. Vietzke made a motion to approve the minutes; G. Weaver seconded; the motion passed.
- D. Vietzke made a motion to approve the vouchers; G. Weaver seconded; motion passed.

AIRPORT

C. Faix updated the Commissioners about the Conner Hanger. The issue is there is no legal description of where the building is located. Hopefully that will be taken care of in the next few days.

The Insurance Company for K&L is no longer communicating with C. Faix and we were able to prove that they got the second letter requesting the repair and replacement costs for the incorrect sterilization. G. Weaver suggested C. Faix to have our Attorney move forward to what he needs to do to get this finished.

D. Vietzke is concerned about how the dead weeds look and suggested that C. Faix burn them down after the burn ban is lifted. That will be done.

BRUCE

The bid has been awarded to Apollo, Inc.

C. Faix spoke with CERB and they said they would fund up to 80% of the project and we would be responsible for 20%. Nitricity also may be willing to get their own financing with a co-signature from us. There is question about the best direction to go.

C. Faix has spoken with Mike Andersen again and due to the cost, we need to look for land grants, otherwise we will be unable to purchase the land.

HIGHWAY 24

C. Faix did check with the City about septic system requirements. The County rules are 1.25 acres minimum. We should be able to put in a septic system on the property. C. Faix may get a sign that says Port of Othello will build to suit.

HIGHWAY 26/REYNOLDS

OTHER

G. Weaver made a motion to give C. Derting \$2,500 and C. Faix \$3,500 in addition to their regular salary to replace lost benefits and to be paid on one check with their bonus. H. Montemayor seconded the motion; Motion passed.



With no further business coming before the Port of Othello Commissioners, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 am.

Deena Vietzke, Commissioner

Homer Montemayor, Commissioner

Carmon Derting, Executive Assistant

Gary Weaver, Commissioner