

**APPROVED MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
PORT OF BROOKINGS HARBOR DISTRICT**

**Wednesday, November 20, 2024**

*This is not an exact transcript. The audio of the session is available on the Port's website.*

The Port of Brookings Harbor District met in regular session on the above date at 2:00pm. Open session at the Port Conference Room, 16350 Lower Harbor Road Suite 202, Harbor OR, 97415, teleconference and webinar.

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Commission President Sharon Hartung called the Regular Meeting of the Port of Brookings Harbor of Commissioners to order at 2:00pm.

- **Port of Brookings Harbor Commissioners Present:**  
Joseph Speir, Vice-President (Pos. #1); Sharon Hartung, President (Pos. #2); Larry Jonas (Pos. #3); Wesley Ferraccioli (Pos. #4); Daniel Fraser Secretary/Treasurer (Pos. #5).
- **Port of Brookings Harbor Management and Staff:**  
Travis Webster, Port Manager; April Walker, Office Manager; and Danielle King, Safety/Administrative.
- There were no modifications, additions, or changes to the agenda.
- There were no declarations of potential conflicts of interest.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Audio time 0:01:13**

**A motion was made by Speir and seconded by Jonas to approve the agenda as written. The motion passed 5 – 0. Yes: Jonas, Ferraccioli, Fraser, Speir, Hartung. No: None.**

**3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – Audio time 0:01:32**

**A. Approve Minutes of Regular Commissioner Meeting Wednesday, October 16, 2024.**

**A motion was made by Speir and seconded by Jonas to approve the meeting minutes for Regular Commissioner Meeting Wednesday, October 16, 2024. The motion passed 5 – 0. Yes: Jonas, Ferraccioli, Fraser, Speir, Hartung. No: None.**

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Audio time 0:02:03**

There were 2 public comments. Michael Powell regarding a packet given to the Board regarding event organizers at the Port. Hartung informed him that it was received, and the Port Manager handled it. Webster spoke regarding events and how events are organized. Danny Freitas expressed his stance on how the event organizers held themselves and thanked the Board for allowing them to fly kites on the Kite Field.

**5. KYLE MOTLEY, SEA OTTER REINTRODUCTION PRESENTATION – Audio time 0:06:43**

Kyle Motley with Elakha Alliance gave a power point presentation to the Board regarding sea lions history, what happened to them, what they can do for the ecosystem, and the possibility of reintroduction of sea otters to the area and surrounding areas. Motley let the Board know that this is a Fish and Wildlife process but as an Oregon base nonprofit, trying to promote the Oregon specific science to assure the decision is made with the best possible information. Spoke about an outreach proposal and asked for advice on this approach and can we propose this map at a future meeting to get this information out. Board allowed public comment. Fraser and Jonas had some questions about locations. Board thanked Motley for coming in and giving this presentation.

**6. MANAGEMENT REPORTS / APPROVAL** – Audio time 0:28:44

Webster reported on October maintenance items Port staff completed in the RV Park and Marina. Reported on fishing vessel Shar Mar and demolishing Alita Marie, travelift inspection was complete. Staff did come and talk with all charter boats. Jonas had a question about Alita Marie and the charter vessels. Ferraccioli thanked Webster about Pacific Ocean Harvesters. King reviewed the Safety, Security & Environmental Report. Walker reviewed the Financial Report.

**A motion was made by Speir and seconded by Jonas to approve the Management & Financial Reports as discussed. The motion passed 5 – 0. Yes: Jonas, Ferraccioli, Fraser, Speir, Hartung. No: None.**

**7. ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Draft Ordinance No. 25, Camping on Port-Owned Public Property Amendment** – Audio time 0:36:44

Webster reviewed item with the Board. Fraser asked if they were onsite for more then 72 hours. Webster explained the process.

**A motion was made by Speir and seconded by Fraser to approve Ordinance No. 25, Camping on Port-Owned Public Property, reading by title only, amendment to Section 4.44 of Part IV, Specific Rules and Regulations of Ordinance No. 1-1998. An Ordinance of the Board of Commissioners of the Port of Brookings Harbor. The motion passed 5 – 0. Yes: Jonas, Ferraccioli, Fraser, Speir, Hartung. No: None.**

**B. Citations** – Audio time 0:43:25

Webster reviewed item with the Board. Hartung commented on the number of violations. Webster explained his experience with violations and writing parking violations. Jonas commented if the Port does go this direction we can scale it way back. Ferraccioli recommended asking the sheriffs for more help during certain times. Webster explained what we have been told and have experienced. Fraser asked about parking areas and commented on charter vessels.

**A motion was made by Fraser and seconded by Ferraccioli to approve to leave current policies in place and pursue at a later date. The motion passed 5 – 0. Yes: Jonas, Ferraccioli, Fraser, Speir, Hartung. No: None.**

**C. Offshore Wind Energy** – Audio time 0:55:28

Webster reviewed item with the Board. Fraser commented that we just went through an election cycle and the County vote was no, and we as a Board should follow those wishes and be in opposition of the wind farm. Jonas commented that he agreed and can go either way with how the elections went. Hartung agreed, but suggested to wait and see and can make a resolution at a later date.

**A motion was made by Speir and seconded by Fraser to draft a resolution opposing Offshore Wind Energy. The motion passed 5 – 0. Yes: Jonas, Ferraccioli, Fraser, Speir, Hartung. No: None**

**8. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**A. FEMA PW-189 Dredging Update** – Audio Time 0:58:55

Webster reviewed item with the Board. Fraser expressed some public concern regarding staff safety on the dredge. Webster explained what the Port's safety measures are. Hartung commented on the sediment pond, Webster explained how the material is settling. Fraser asked about how much material is anticipated to be removed and about clam shell dredging. Jonas asked about the culverts coming into the harbor.

**9. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS** – Audio time 1:07:15

Commissioner Hartung thanked Port staff.

**10. NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE** – Wednesday, December 18, 2024, at 2:00 PM

**11. ADJOURNMENT** – Audio time 1:07:34

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm.

  
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Sharon Hartung, President

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Date Signed

  
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Daniel Fraser, Secretary/Treasurer

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Date Signed

*An audio recording was made of these proceedings. The recording and the full commission packet are available on the Ports website: [www.portofbrookingsharbor.com](http://www.portofbrookingsharbor.com).*