



**COMMISSION WORK SESSION MINUTES**  
**at Port of Port Angeles**  
**April 4, 2017**  
**9:00 AM**

**PRESENT:**

Colleen McAleer, President  
Connie Beauvais, Vice President  
Steven Burke, Secretary  
Karen Goschen, Executive Director

Chris Hartman, Director of Engineering  
Jerry Ludke, Airport & Marina Manager  
Mike Nimmo, Operations Manager  
Holly Hairell, Admin Manager

**I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (0:00 to 0:25)**

Commissioner McAleer called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM and Jerry Ludke, Airport and Marina Manager led the pledge of allegiance.

**II. EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION (total session up to 10 minutes)**

None offered

**III. DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS FOR AFTERNOON REGULAR MEETING**

None

**IV. WORK SESSION TOPICS**

**A. Fishing Fleet Modernization Study – Commissioner McAleer (54:22 to 1:08:49)**

Commissioner McAleer introduced the Fishing Fleet Modernization Study to the group and discussed the limitations of Port of Port Angeles' assets to meet the fleet modernization need. Discussion followed on the labor costs and environmental considerations of doing this type of work in Washington State versus out of state. Further discussion followed on upcoming bills, vessel life spans, vessel building predictions, vessel safety, etc.

**Commission Direction:** The commission suggested that staff pass along the Fishing Fleet Modernization study to potentially impacted tenants, Platypus Marine and Armstrong Marine. In addition, the commission suggested adding the study to the Port's website.

**B. Website Redesign Update**

The website redesign update was pulled from the agenda and will be discussed at a later work session.

**C. Avigation Easement Update (1:08:51 to 1:16:19)**

Executive Director, Karen Goschen updated the Commission on the Avigation Easement with the City of Port Angeles. She explained that the Port's airport consultant provided an depiction of the avigation easement for four potential scenarios. The City staff requested time to analyze the impacts of the different scenarios. Once their analysis is done, the Port and City staff will meet again to discuss impacts, details for the avigation easement and recommendations to their governing boards. Discussion followed.

**D. T3 Maintenance Dredging Discussion (1:20 to 53:33)**

Chris Hartman, Director of Engineering began the Terminal 3 Dredge Analysis presentation and explained the history of dredging at T3. He stated that dredging has



not been done at T3 since the mid-1970s and the purpose of dredging is to support modern bulk cargo vessels. Discussion followed amongst the commission, staff and stakeholders present in the audience. Mr. Hartman then reviewed the four different dredging and disposal options and the pros and cons of each as well as the associated costs. Discussion followed on when the project could be completed and how it would be scheduled during T3 operations.

**Commission Direction:** Mr. Hartman asked the commission for direction on what target depth the project should target. The commission expressed their support for the staff recommendation of -45 feet and option 3 of the dredging scenarios presented.

**V. FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS (1:16:22 to 1:37:00)**

- A. Work Session
- B. Business Meeting

Commissioner Burke asked that Commissioner Beauvais, Mike Nimmo and he give a briefing on the International Mass Timber Conference that they attended in Portland, OR at the end of March. This briefing is slated for May 1, 2017.

A report on the JEC conference in Paris is slated for the quarterly joint meeting with the County commission on April 24, 2017. Executive Director Goschen asked the Commission for other items to add to the joint meeting agenda.

Discussion followed on the Port's involvement and advocacy on issues at the state and federal level. These topics will be brought forward based on progress with the issues.

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION (total session up to 20 minutes)**

None offered

**VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION - The Board may recess into Executive Session for those purposes authorized under Chapter 42.30 RCW, the Open Public Meetings Act. (1:37:01 to 1:39:48)**


Commissioner McAleer recessed the work session at 10:40 AM for ten minutes until 10:50 AM and then moved the work session into executive session to discuss one item concerning the purchase of real estate and three items concerning the lease of Port property. The executive session is expected to last one hour. Action was not expected to be taken following the executive session.


At 11:50AM, the Commission extended the executive session for ten minutes until 12:00 PM.

**VIII. ADJOURN**

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner McAleer adjourned the work session at 12:00 PM.

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