



SPECIAL JOINT COMMISSION MEETING
Thursday, January 9, 2025, at 10:00 am
Elwha Klallam Tribal Justice Center
341 Spokwes Drive, Port Angeles, WA 98363
MINUTES

The Special Commission Meeting will be available to the public in-person.

Connie Beauvais, Port Commissioner
Colleen McAleer, Port Commissioner
Steve Burke, Port Commissioner
Frances Charles, Tribal Chair
Russell Hepfer, Tribal Vice-Chair
Steve Robideau, Councilman
Sam Hough, Tribal Counsel

Paul Jarkiewicz, Executive Director
Braedi Joutsen, Clerk to the Board
Melissa Gilman, Tribal Secretary
Tia Skerbeck, Councilwoman
Chris Hartman, Director of Engineering
Caleb McMahon, Director of Economic Development
Carolyn Lake, Port Counsel

I. CONDOLENCES FOR THE PASSING OF PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER, FOLLOWED BY A MOMENT OF SILENCE

Comm. Beauvais began by reading a statement of condolences for the passing of President Jimmy Carter and asked for a moment of silence.

II. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Comm. Beauvais called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

III. EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION (TOTAL SESSION UP TO 20 MINUTES)

None.

IV. WORK SESSION TOPICS

A. Joint Projects and Opportunities

- Presentation
 - Port of Port Angeles - Chris Hartman, Caleb McMahon
- Presentation
 - Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe – Sam Hough
- Discussion
- No Action

B. Action on Joint Memorandum of Agreement

- Presentation
- Discussion
- Action by Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe
 - Motion to approve the MOA: Vice-Chair Russel Hepfer
 - 2nd: Tribal Secretary/Treasurer Marissa Gilman
 - Vote: 5-0 (Unanimous)
- Action by Port of Port Angeles
 - Motion to approve the MOA to delegate the Commission President the authority to sign the Memorandum of Agreement Amount the U.S. Department of Transportation Maritime Administration, The Washington State Historic Preservation Officer, the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe, and the Port of Port Angeles, regarding the Intermodal Handling & Transfer Facility Project, Clallam County, Washington, Project Tracking Code 2023-03-01721: Comm. McAleer
 - 2nd: Comm. Burke
 - Vote: 3-0 (Unanimous)

V. PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION (TOTAL SESSION UP TO 20 MINUTES)

Comm. Beauvais acknowledged receipt of public comment that was submitted from John Worthington, Sequim, WA.

Russell Hepfer wanted to share that he was extremely proud of the partnership between the Elwha Klallam Tribe and the Port. He presented an Elwha Klallam Tribal challenge coin to



Executive Director Paul Jarkiewicz, Commissioner Colleen McAleer, and Commissioner Steven Burke, to thank them for their military service.

VI. ADJOURN

Comm. Beauvais adjourned the meeting at 10:43 am.

PORT OF PORT ANGELES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Connie Beauvais, President



Steven Burke, Secretary