

**PORT OF VANCOUVER USA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, August 22, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Commission President Orange called a regular meeting of the Port of Vancouver Board of Commissioners to order and open to the public at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at the Port of Vancouver USA Administrative Office, 3103 NW Lower River Road, Vancouver, Washington 98660.

OPENING REMARKS

Commissioner Orange welcomed everyone to the commission meeting. He announced no executive session was held and that the meeting is being recorded. He stated this meeting is a hybrid meeting so that along with everyone present in the meeting, anyone who wants to make virtual oral comment can use Zoom. He then invited guests to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting of August 8, 2023

On motion by Commissioner Burkman, seconded by Commissioner LaBrant and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners approve the minutes of the August 8, 2023, regular meeting.

OPEN FORUM

Commissioner Orange stated that the agenda invited public comment and asked CEO Marler if anyone registered in advance to provide virtual oral comments. CEO Marler stated one individual requested to provide virtual oral comments and confirmed that there was no one present who signed up to provide comment.

Don Steinke

Mr. Steinke shared his thoughts on the use of solar to help support power.

ACTION ITEMS

E-1 Approve Public Works Contract for Bid 23-28: Terminal 4 Stormwater Pond Solids Removal Project

Mark Newell, Project Delivery Manager presented the action item and discussed it with the commission. He answered questions from the Board. On motion by Commissioner LaBrant, seconded by Commissioner Burkman and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners authorize the CEO to execute a public works contract with Swofford Excavating, LLC, the lowest

responsive and responsible bidder, for Bid 23-28: Terminal 4 Stormwater Pond Solids Removal Project in the amount of \$636,560.17 including Washington Sales Tax.

E-2 Approve Public Works Contract for Bid 23-24: 2023 Maintenance Dredging Project

Mark Newell, Project Delivery Manager presented the action item and discussed it with the commission. He answered questions from the Board. On motion by Commissioner Burkman, seconded by Commissioner LaBrant and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners authorize the CEO to execute a public works contract with HME Construction, Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for Bid 23-24: 2023 Maintenance Dredging Project in the amount of \$908,298.85 including Washington State sales tax.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business was considered.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business was discussed.

CEO REPORT

No CEO report was provided.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

Commissioner Burkman provided an update on the following events:

- Waterfront Appreciation Event
- Port Tour

Commissioner LaBrant stated he attended the following meeting:

- CEO Marler

Commissioner Orange provided an update on the following events and meetings:

- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Zoom Presentation
- Community member

UPCOMING EVENTS

A list of upcoming events was displayed on the screen for viewers to see staff activities and community meetings. CEO Marler stated the next commission meeting scheduled for September 12 will begin at 9:30 a.m. She also highlighted several other upcoming community events.

WORKSHOP

Ryan Hart, Chief External Affairs Officer introduced Dale Learn and Amber Carter, the port's federal and state lobbyists. He thanked them for joining us today and indicated he looks forward to their federal and state legislative updates.

Federal Legislative Update

Mr. Learn provided the Board with a federal legislative update and answered questions from the Commission.

State Legislative Update

Ms. Carter provided the Board with a state legislative update and answered questions from the Commission.

CEO Marler thanked Mr. Learn and Ms. Carter for the work they do on behalf of the Port of Vancouver.

SIGN DOCUMENTS

The Board signed documents at 10:30 a.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE / WORK SESSION

No administrative work session was held during this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Port of Vancouver USA Board of Commissioners, the Tuesday, August 22, 2023, regular meeting was adjourned at 10:33 a.m. by Commissioner Orange.

Michelle Allan, Executive Services
Manager, August 22, 2023, Regular
Port of Vancouver USA Board of
Commission Meeting

PORT OF VANCOUVER USA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Don Orange, President



Eric LaBrant, Vice President



Jack Burkman, Secretary