

**JOINT CLARK COUNTY PORTS
BOARDS OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
PORTS OF VANCOUVER USA, CAMAS-WASHOUGAL & RIDGEFIELD
November 30, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Port of Camas-Washougal CEO David Ripp called the Joint Clark County Ports Boards of Commissioners Special Meeting to order on Thursday, November 30, 2023, at 12:33 p.m. at the Port of Camas/Washougal Administrative Office, 24 S. "A" Street, Washougal, WA 98671.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Port of Camas-Washougal CEO Ripp welcomed and thanked everyone in attendance and invited attendees to introduce themselves.

PORT SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE AND DISCUSSION

Port of Vancouver Director of Economic Development Mike Bomar provided an update on the port's Climate Action Plan and answered questions. Ports of Camas-Washougal CEO Ripp and Ridgefield CEO Randy Mueller also provided an update on sustainability efforts taking place at their port and answered questions.

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING

Mike Bomar, Port of Vancouver Director of Economic Development provided a presentation on Tax Increment Financing and the Port of Vancouver's Tax Increment Area (TIA) followed by a discussion with the other ports and their plans with Tax Increment Financing opportunities.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Port of Camas-Washougal CEO Ripp, Port of Vancouver Director of Economic Development Bomar, and Port of Ridgefield CEO Mueller reported on the three Clark County Ports 2024 Joint Legislative Agenda. There was also discussion about the upcoming Washington Public Ports Association (WPPA) Legislative Day and Hill Climb in Olympia.

COMMISSION DISCUSSION

I/5 Bridge Replacement Project

In Port of Vancouver Commissioner Jack Burkman's absence, Director of Economic Development Bomar gave a brief high-level update on the project and answered questions that were raised.

Appoint RTC Port Representative and Alternate

Port Commissioners discussed the Regional Transportation Council 3-ports representative. After discussion, Port of Ridgefield Commissioner Joe Melroy made a motion to reappoint Port of Vancouver Commissioner Burkman as the 3-ports' primary representative and Port of Camas-Washougal Commissioner Larry Keister as the alternate representative replacing Port of Ridgefield Commissioner Scott Hughes who fulfilled his appointment. Commissioner Eric LaBrant seconded the motion and all board members voted in favor.

CREDC Strategic Planning Update

Columbia River Economic Development Council President and CEO Jennifer Baker gave a brief update on their Strategic Plan.

Port Updates

Brief updates were provided by each port highlighting activities of interest.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the joint Boards of Commissioners, the November 30, 2023, special meeting was adjourned at 2:26 p.m. by Port of Camas-Washougal CEO Ripp.

Michelle Allan, Executive Services
Manager, November 30, 2023
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Jack Burkman, Secretary