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 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at the Port of Vancouver USA Administrative Office, 3103 NW Lower River Road, Vancouver, Washington 98660.

OPENING REMARKS

Commissioner Orange welcomed everyone, announced no executive session was held and invited guests to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting attendees included:

- Don Orange: Port Commission President
- Eric LaBrant: Port Commission Vice President
- Jack Burkman: Port Commission Secretary
- Julianna Marler: Port CEO
- Michelle Allan: Port Executive Services Manager
- Alicia Lowe: Port Legal Counsel
- Kent Cash: Port Chief Operations Officer
- Elizabeth Gotelli: Port Chief Financial and Administrative Officer
- Ryan Hart: Port Chief External Affairs Officer
- Scott Goodrich: Port Director of Finance & Accounting
- Rachelle Askman: Port Communications Coordinator
- Savannah Mitcham: Port Administrative Assistant
- Julie Rawls: Port Community Relations Manager
- Randy McCaleb: Port Contract Manager
- Greg Westrand: Port Project Manager
- Mike Bomar: Port Director of Economic Development
- Don Steinke: Community Member
- Alona Steinke: Community Member
- Ron Morrison: TRPP
- Jared Smith: ILWU Local 4
- Terry Oliver: Community Member
- Mary Siciliano: Community Member
- Jean Avery: Community Member
- Stan Sittser: Community Member
- Ilona Brown: Strategies 360
- Cathryn Chudy: Community Member
APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting of February 11, 2020

On motion by Commissioner Burkman, seconded by Commissioner LaBrant and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners approve the minutes of the February 11, 2020 regular meeting.

OPEN FORUM

Commissioner Orange invited comments from the audience.

Don Steinke, Community Member

Mr. Steinke encouraged the board to endorse HB 1110 and HB 2892 regarding clean fuel standards.

Alona Steinke, Community Member

Ms. Steinke discussed HB 1110 and indicated she supports Mr. Steinke’s comments.

Ron Morrison, TRPP

Mr. Morrison encouraged the board to engage in conversation during the meeting. He offered suggestions to assist with sound issues. He also discussed changes to the agenda.

Cathryn Chudy, Community Member

Ms. Chudy discussed climate change and the clean fuel standard.

No further public comments were received.

ACTION ITEMS

E-1 Approve Public Works Contract for Bid 20-07: High Tank Phase 3 - Chlorinator

Project Manager Greg Westrand presented the action item and discussed the recommendation with the commission.

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 McClure & Sons, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for Bid 20-
07: High Tank Phase 3 – Chlorinator, in the amount $672,265.36 including Washington State sales tax.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business was considered.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Orange sought thoughts from his fellow board members regarding HB 1110 and a clean fuel standard.

Commissioner LaBrant indicated he thinks a workshop to discuss this may be appropriate.

Commissioner Burkman supports the concept and cautioned the board that if the board was to take the position to sign on to a bill, the board also signs on to the amendments. He indicated this may cause unintended consequences.

Commissioner Orange stated he is in favor of endorsing a clean fuel standard.

Commissioner LaBrant would like to see the commission dive more into the legislative policy next year. Commissioner Burkman agreed with Commissioner LaBrant and supports holding a workshop on this issue.

Commissioner Orange clarified that what he is hearing is that the board supports a clean fuel standard in support of clean transportation, just not a specific bill.

Commissioner Burkman asked to hear from Chief External Affairs Officer Ryan Hart regarding this.

Mr. Hart indicated the port does have language in the state legislative priorities that says we support efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions while maintaining the port’s ability to increase economic opportunity and grow jobs in Southwest Washington. He explained the reason the port doesn’t adopt a legislative agenda is that things are in flux throughout the legislative session and we want to have the ability to adjust and to adapt accordingly. He suggested modifying the state legislative priorities to say that we support efforts to reduce greenhouse emissions and adopt a low carbon fuel standard while maintaining the port’s ability to increase economic opportunity and grow jobs in Southwest Washington. Mr. Hart stated he will be traveling to Olympia and could take this message with him if that is what he is directed to do.

Commissioner Burkman made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner LaBrant that the port modify the bullet on the port’s state legislative agenda to read, “support efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and support clean fuel standards while maintaining the port’s ability to increase economic opportunity and grow jobs in Southwest Washington.” Commissioner Burkman then withdrew his motion.
On motion by Commissioner LaBrant, seconded by Commissioner Burkman, and carried unanimously, the Board of Commissioners approve a change to the bullet in the port’s state legislative agenda to read, “support adoption of a clean fuel standard and efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions while maintaining the port’s ability to increase economic opportunity and grow jobs in Southwest Washington.”

After further discussion, Commissioner Burkman made a motion to amend Commissioner LaBrant’s motion from, “support adoption of a clean fuel standard and efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions while maintaining the port’s ability to increase economic opportunity and grow jobs in Southwest Washington” to, “support efforts to establish clean fuel standards and efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions while maintaining the port’s ability to increase economic opportunity and grow jobs in Southwest Washington.” Commissioner LaBrant seconded the amended motion. The motion was carried unanimously and approved.

No additional new business was considered at this time.

**CEO REPORT**

CEO Marler provided no report.

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Commissioner LaBrant reported attending the following:

- Merchants Exchange Shipping 201 – Movement of Cargo
- Vancouver Downtown Association Award Event
- i-Tech Prep Grand Opening at WSU-Vancouver

Commissioner Burkman reported attending the following:

- Merchants Exchange Shipping 201 – Movement of Cargo
- Vancouver Downtown Association Award Event
- Identity Clark County Transportation Alliance
- Met with staff and constituents
- Labor Roundtable

Commissioner Orange reported attending the following:

- Vancouver Downtown Association Award Event
- Greater Portland Inc. Annual Economic Summit

Commissioner Orange also mentioned that he will be heading to Washington DC for the Pacific Northwest Waterways Association Mission to Washington on Saturday.
CEO Marler shared some information from the Greater Portland Inc. Annual Economic Summit. She indicated they are focused on the importance of higher education and partnering with businesses as a foundation for economic development. She also stated WSU-Vancouver had an event to celebrate their 30th Anniversary which highlighted the research they do and partnerships they have with local businesses.

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 will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. She also highlighted a number of other activities, including the first lecture in the port's lecture series.

RECESS

The regular meeting was recessed from 9:35 a.m. to sign documents.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Port of Vancouver USA Board of Commissioners, the Tuesday, February 25, 2020 regular meeting was adjourned at 9:38 a.m. by Commissioner Orange.

Michelle Allan, Executive Services Manager, February 25, 2020, Regular Port of Vancouver USA Board of Commission Meeting

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