

**Regular Commission Meeting**  
**March 8<sup>th</sup> – 1:30 pm**  
**2 Marine Drive, Boardman, Oregon 97818**

**BUS TOUR** from Noon to approximately 1:45

To view installation and location of new wastewater expansion

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Jerry Healy called the meeting to order at 1:58 p.m.

**Commissioners:** Jerry Healy, Rick Stokoe, Larry Lindsay, Joe Taylor, and Marv Padberg

**Staff:** Gary Neal, Lisa Mittelsdorf, Eileen Hendricks, Tim Patton, Jim Barnes and Andrea Orcutt

**Guests:** As listed on sign-in sheet

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –February 8<sup>th</sup> Regular Commission Meeting**

Joe moved to approve and Marv seconded the motion to approve the minutes. No discussion was had. Motion passed unanimously.

**III. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Willow Creek Valley Economic Development Group**

Sheryll Bates reported on their activity, including their decision to move away from the Housing Grant Program, the March 21<sup>st</sup> EOVA Stakeholder meeting and the upcoming St. Patricks' Day Celebration in Heppner.

**B. Boardman Chamber Update**

Julie Gisi reported on the Chamber's awards banquet that was held in February, the upcoming Frost-Bite golf tournament and other planned chamber activities. The April membership meeting will include information on the Boardman Rec Center opening.

**C. SAGE Center Update**

Kalie was attending an Outdoor Adventure tourism conference in Vancouver BC so Andrea reported. The SAGE center had approximately 500 people attend the combined Movie and Tillamook Cheese Days in February and had about 430 people attend the March 1<sup>st</sup> Job fair. They had also hosted an Eastern Oregon Key Club rally for high school students over the weekend that was well attended.

New Key Ingredient interviews were completed for the SAGE display and KATU and KNDU commercials are ready for review and will air in the Portland and Tri-

Cities markets spring and summer. The original version of Beauty and the Beast is the movie for the month of March and Stephanie is getting prepared to attend the Oregon FFA Convention.

**D. Pipeline Project Update**

Tim reported we have approximately 50,000 feet in the ground with another 30,000 feet to go.

**E. Freezer Warehouse**

Jim Barnes reported for Ryan who was attending the Oregon Governor's Occupational Safety and Health (GOSH) conference.

Volume is down to about 64 million pounds, but volume handled is still over 60 million. Rail activity is back on schedule and plans are in place to lease out dry storage in a portion of Transload II.

**F. Bridge Schedule for HB2001**

Tim reported that they will be moving some dirt and starting work on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup>.

**G. Dredge Project**

Tim reported the slip finally unfroze and ODFW was here last week to oversee the installation of the silt curtain. They started excavation last week.

**H. Early Learning Center**

Tim reported that the electrical and sewer inspections were last week. Construction is progressing though not back on schedule from the extensive weather delays.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Tour of Projects**

The earlier tour was discussed and Jerry Healy asked Chris Eckert from UEC to have someone look at the transformer at the old pond.

**B. PNWA Trip**

Gary and Lisa are leaving Sunday for the PNWA trip to Washington DC. Mark was scheduled to attend but will not be able to due to his recovery from surgery.

**C. SDAO Conference**

Gary, Rick, Mark, Brandy and Ryan attended. Gary reported that it was a good conference.

**D. Rail Users Meeting**

Upcoming meeting is March 29<sup>th</sup> and Gary plans to discuss UPRR service issues including derailments.

**E. Other**

**Resolution 2017-03 – authorized representatives.**

A resolution to approve all five commissioners and Gary Neal to sign any bond related documents. Marv moved to approve the resolution and Rick seconded the motion. No discussion was had and the motion passed unanimously.

**Lease option with 5G Foods for between 10 and 15 acres located in the south side of the rail loop interior.**

Rick moved to approve the lease option and authorize Gary or Jerry to sign, Marv seconded the motion. No discussion was had and the motion passed unanimously.

**Senate Bill 197**

Don Russell brought the bill to the commissioner's attention and indicated he had written a letter for hearing to be held Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. Gary indicated Lisa was working on information for Bill Hansell's office for that same hearing. Marv proposed that the Port also submit a letter in opposition to the bill and authorize Gary to sign on behalf of the Port. Rick seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

**OGFOA Conference**

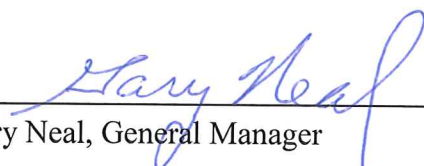
Eileen reported briefly on the OGFOA conference and the new abatement disclosure required by GASB 77.

**V. STAFF REPORTS**

Staff reports were reviewed and discussed.

The meeting was recessed at 2:55 pm. Executive session started at approximately 3:10 pm.

The commissioners came out of executive session; and there being no further business adjourned the regular meeting at 3:40 pm

  
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Gary Neal, General Manager

  
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Jerry Healy, Commission President

# PORT OF MORROW

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## SIGN-IN SHEET

NAME <b>PLEASE PRINT</b>	COMPANY REPRESENTING	PHONE NUMBER	EMAIL ADDRESS (If we don't have it)
Chris Eckert	VEC		
Shemil bates	WCVEDG		
Karen Pettigrew	Boardman		
Julie Girs	Chamber		
Andrea Orutt	SAGE		
Don Russell	Morrow County		