
Regular Commission Meeting
June 14, 2023 – 1:30 pm
2 Marine Drive, Boardman, Oregon 97818

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

President Joe Taylor called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Rick Stokoe, Marv Padberg, Joe Taylor, Jerry Healy and John Murray

Staff Present: Lisa Mittelsdorf, Eileen Hendricks, Mark Patton, Jason Hendricks, Anna Browne, Erika Lasater, Brandy Warburton, Jacob Cain

Visitors Present: Kare Pettigrew, Jerry Reitman, Kalie Davis, Torrie Griggs, Aaron Moss, Jonathan Tallman

By Zoom Meeting: (Staff) Marcine Brangham
(Guests) Mike Rogoway, Mike Alldritt, K Doherty, Debbie Radie, MC Planning.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

III. OPEN BUDGET HEARING

Joe opened the budget hearing at 1:32 PM. There were no public comments.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

A. May 10, 2023, Regular Commission Meeting Minutes

B. Safety Policy Handbook

Joe stated that he would like to postpone approving the safety policy handbook because he had not had time to review it. John made the motion to approve just the minutes. Marv seconded the motion. No further discussion was had. The motion passed unanimously.

V. LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

None present.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. CDA Update – Lisa stated that the CDA ribbon cutting ceremony is on July 12th at 10am. She talked about the Business Oregon funded trip to a location outside of Chicago that has been redeveloped into industrial property. It is similar to the CDA property.

B. Broadband Consortium Board Appointees

Jerry and Marv declared a potential conflict of interest.

Lisa said we need to appoint two members to the consortium. The first meeting is tomorrow. Rick and John had previously volunteered for the appointments and were still willing. Jerry made a motion to appoint Rick and John to the Broadband Consortium and Marv seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Utility System Workshop Date

Lisa explained there are several meetings and trainings coming up. Brandy talked about regional SDAO trainings and a training specifically for the Board.

There is a planned utility tour on July 12 at 9:30 before the commission meeting followed by a utility planning workshop on July 26 at 11am so that all commissioners have a better understanding of infrastructure. The CDA ribbon cutting event will be added into the port tour already scheduled.

D. Other

John asked about the grazing north of the I-84 that we discussed at our last meeting. Lisa answered that we were going to put out request for proposals for the strip between the freeway, but it's not a high priority. Mark said that because of the fire, there wouldn't be grazing this year. It was removed from the agenda for the sake of time today.

No other old business was discussed at the time.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Call for comments and close budget hearing – Joe closed the budget hearing and no comments were made.

B. Kalie Davis – AWS/ADS Presentation – Kalie gave a presentation regarding AWS projects with a video that was recently released on Facebook. The first video featured local baker, Alma Nunez Lezama. She talked about scholarships that are available locally for the data center technician and industrial systems programs at BMCC. The Change X Community Grants were able to support many local organizations. New this year will be application assistance for those grant funds. She gave an overview of the positive impact of data centers in Umatilla and Morrow counties, including taxes, enterprise zone payments, and stories of economic mobility. Kalie reported that AWS has over 900 jobs plus additional subcontractors. She ended her presentation with a look towards the future.

C. New Leases – a log was given to each commissioner on their desks.

D. Community Project – Ione Track, Irrigon Pickleball – Mark said this is just informational letting the commission know that we will be doing work in Ione and Irrigon this fall to help with these projects.

- E. Resolution 2023-07 Adopt and appropriate budget** – Eileen explained the three different parts to this resolution. John made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-07 to adopt the budget, appropriate the spending categories, and impose the tax as presented. Jerry seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed unanimously.
- F. Resolution 2023-08 Utility Rates** – Eileen explained the rates. Jerry made the motion to approve resolution 2023-08 Utility Rates. Marv seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed unanimously.
- G. Resolution 2023-09 Rail Tariff** – Eileen explained the increase and stated that there’s a typo that needs to be corrected. Marv made the motion to approve resolution 2023-09 Rail Tariff with the correction. Rick seconded. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously.
- H. Ordinance 2023-02 Homeless Camping Ordinance** – Joe said that there isn’t an urgency to get this passed today. Lisa explained that the City of Boardman will be doing a second reading and we at the port would like more time to review the proposed county ordinance. Rick addressed a question regarding the purpose of the city ordinance.
- I. Other**
No other new business was discussed at the time.

VIII. STAFF REPORTS

- A. Project Updates** – Jacob and Mark talked about the current projects while Erika showed photos, including BUILD, Digester, South Lift Station, and SAGE Expansion/EV Charging stations.
- The BUILD grant is progressing quickly. There were multiple unexpected complications that slowed progress for a little while. They are hoping to pave Marine Drive by the end of this year.
 - The Digesters are also moving along quickly. They’re slightly behind schedule but are still on track to be completed in August.
 - The South Lift Station is nearing completion. We’re still waiting for some electrical components.
 - Utilities were moved and reconnected last week for the SAGE Center expansion. Construction is moving forward. Torrie provided an update regarding the generic EV charging stations.
 - Jacob talked about a meeting and tour with DEQ regarding the digester that he recently had.

- Mark added additional information regarding:
 - i. Secondary treatment is approaching 90% design.
 - ii. Preliminary design for winter storage has been submitted.
 - iii. We will be hiring an independent firm to review the design.
 - iv. An independent contractor has been hired for Farm 4 expansion.
 - v. Heppner Flood Mitigation is still in progress.
- Torrie talked about the 10th anniversary events at the SAGE Center.

B. Maintenance Update – Tim was not in attendance to give the update. Most of the information was included in the project updates.

C. Financial Update – Jason presented the financial update.

D. Usage Reports – Commissioners reviewed the usage reports included in the packet.

E. Other – Anna presented statistics regarding the high school internship program.

IX. OTHER REPORTS

A. Willow Creek Valley Economic Development Group / Heppner Chamber – None present

B. Boardman Chamber Update / BCDA – Torrie gave a quick summary on Chamber activities and BCDA.

C. ICABO – Jerry Reitman gave an update for ICABO projects. He thanked the Port for their support over the years for development in Ione.

D. City Updates – Karen talked about staffing changes at the City of Boardman, upcoming events, and other projects that are happening.

E. County Updates – Tamra was online but did not have updates for the county.

F. Other – Debbie Radie talked about Families First Childcare. They've seen a steady increase in growth. The center is a model for other areas.

X. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Joe presented Marv with a plaque commemorating his 28 years of service on the Port Commission and personally thanked him. Jerry echoed appreciation for Marv's term on the

Commission. Rick also thanked Marv for his time on the commission and service not just to the Port but for the entire county.

XI. UPCOMING EVENTS:

June 14	4-7 PM	POM Employee and Family BBQ
June 21	5 PM	City, County, Port Meeting
July 12	TBD	Commission Tour – Changed to accommodate CDA
July 12	10:00 AM	CDA Ceremony
July 12	1:30 PM	POM Regular Commission Meeting
July 26	11 AM	Utility System Planning Workshop

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Joe adjourned the public session at 2:54 PM and read the following statement:

The Port will hold an executive session meeting for the permissible reason(s) stated below under ORS 192.660(2). Representatives of the news media and designated staff and other persons shall be allowed to attend the executive session in-person. All other members of the audience will be asked to leave the room. The public virtual Zoom Meeting link will be closed during the executive session as permissible executive session meetings are not subject to HB2560. Representatives of the news media are specifically directed not to report on any of the deliberations during the executive session, except to state the general subject of the session as previously announced. No decision will be made in this executive session.

~~**For the Purpose of Consideration of Deliberations with the Port's Executive Director and Other Staff Members Who Have Been Designated by the Port to Negotiate Transactions Related to the Sale or Lease of Real Property – ORS 192.660 (2)(e)**~~

A. For the Purpose of Review of the Employment-Related Performance of the CEO – ORS 192.660 (2) (i)

Submitted by:



Joe Taylor, Commission President



Lisa Mittelsdorf, Executive Director

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SIGN-IN SHEET

NAME PLEASE PRINT	COMPANY REPRESENTING	PHONE NUMBER	EMAIL ADDRESS (If we don't have it)
Aaron Moss	Broadband	971-252-9025	✓
Jerry Reifman	ICABO	541-379-2814	
Karen Pettigrew	City Boardman		
Katie Davis	APOS	541-701-5470	
Anna Browne	PAM		
Stephy D	ME		

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