
Special Commission Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2026 – 10:00 AM
2 Marine Drive, Boardman, Oregon 97818

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

John called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

Commissioners Present: Rick Stokoe, John Murray, Kelly Doherty, Joel Peterson was present via Zoom

Staff Present: Lisa Mittelsdorf, Eileen Hendricks, Mark Patton, and Brandy Warburton

Visitors Present: Raymond Akers, Jerry Rietmann, Ken Browne, Luis Campos, and Evan Purves arrived late.

By Zoom Meeting: (Staff) Erika Morton
(Guests) Oregon Offices, Mike Gorman, Karen Pettigrew, City of Boardman

II. COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENT

A. Interview Candidates – John thanked each candidate for being present and willing to serve. Candidates Jerry Rietmann, Ken Browne, Luis Campos, and Raymond Akers introduced themselves. Evan Purves arrived late.

After introductions, John explained the process being panel style and each candidate was asked the following questions.

1. Do you foresee having any conflicts of interest issues?
2. What do you believe is the single most important responsibility of a Port Commissioner, and how do you understand the overall role of the position?
3. How do you distinguish the role of a commissioner from day-to-day port management?
4. Can you describe a time you had to make an unpopular decision in the public interest?
5. How should the Commission balance debt, reserves, and long-term infrastructure needs?
6. Of the qualities you have, which two would most benefit the success of the port?
7. What are the top three priorities you feel the port should focus on, in order of priority?
8. In terms of working effectively on a board, how do you foresee balancing working together versus speaking up on issues you feel strongly about? How do you plan to communicate in these instances?

B. Discussion of Candidates

John opened the discussion. The commission thanked each candidate for their willingness to serve and expressed the things they were considering in making their decision. John replied that a motion can be made to appoint a new commissioner, or further discussion by the board can be had.

C. Finalize Appointment – Motion to Appoint

Joel made the motion to appoint Jerry Reitmann to the Port commission. Rick seconded the motion. No further discussion was had. The motion passed unanimously.

Joel Peterson – Aye
John Murray - Aye
Rick Stokoe - Aye
Kelly Doherty – Aye

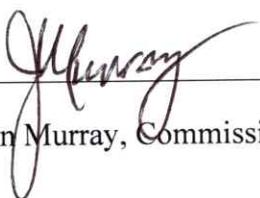
Jerry expressed his gratitude to the commission and thanked the other candidates for being there,

III. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Kelly asked if we had any openings on the budget committee and suggested the candidates may be interested in sitting on that. Eileen responded that there aren't any current openings.

John closed the special meeting at 10:57 AM.

Submitted by:



John Murray, Commission President



Lisa Mittelsdorf, Executive Director