



**Special Meeting
Of the Board of Commissioners
Port of Chelan County
Joint Session with Chelan County & Chelan County PUD
Tuesday, April 15, 2008
1:30 pm
Chelan County PUD Auditorium
327 N Wenatchee Ave, Wenatchee, WA**

Meeting Minutes

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| Present: | Port of Chelan County
Michael H. Mackey, Commissioner
JC Baldwin, Commissioner
Craig Larsen, Commissioner
Mark Urdahl, Executive Director
Pete Fraley, Legal Counsel
Ron Johnston-Rodriguez, Port Staff
Judy Bradford, Port Staff | Chelan County PUD
Ann Congdon, Commissioner
Randy Smith, Commissioner
Dennis Bolz, Commissioner
Wayne Wright/Executive Manager-District Services Group
Jack Winter/Executive Manager-Utility Services Group
Carol Wardell/Executive Manager-Legal Services Group
Mark Wiser/Chelan County PUD Staff
Ron Slabaugh/Chelan County PUD staff
Jeff Smith/Chelan County PUD
Sheila Salmon/Recording Secretary |
| | Chelan County
Buell Hawkins, Commissioner
Ron Walter, Commissioner
John Guenther, Community Planning Director | |
| Others: | Mayor Dennis Johnson, City of Wenatchee
Allison Williams, City of Wenatchee
Kathy Springer, Peshastin Community Council
Bill Stokes, Chelan County Citizen | Carnan Bergren, PUD Commission Candidate
Jim Baxter/ALCOA-Wenatchee Works
Jon Eberle, Development Partners |

Chelan County PUD Commissioner Ann Congdon called the Chelan County PUD Commission meeting to order at 1:35 pm. Since the Chelan County PUD is hosting the tri-commission meeting, Commissioner Congdon will chair the meeting in the absence of PUD Commission Board President Norm Gutzwiler.

Chelan County Commission President Buell Hawkins and Port of Chelan County Commission President JC Baldwin each in turn called their respective Commissions to order.

Chelan County Commissioner Buell Hawkins asked the closure of the park at Chelan Falls be added to the agenda.

John Guenther reported on the activities of the MOU working group committee to Commissioners. Guenther announced the cities of Wenatchee, Leavenworth and Cashmere have been/are involved in the MOU working group discussions on the regional waste treatment system.

Ron Slaybaugh updated Commissioners on the regional effort on water quality and waste water treatment discharge into the Wenatchee River. Chelan County PUD is handling the contracting with HDR Engineering for a feasibility study on a regional facility, and with the Department of Ecology who has committed to fund 75% of the feasibility study. Mike Kaputa at Chelan County/Natural Resources Dept, has been working with DOE to get commitment for 100% DOE funding of the feasibility study.

A draft of the study is due by late fall, with the final report by the end of the year. Partners on the project would be the City of Leavenworth, Chelan County PUD, City of Cashmere, City of Wenatchee, the Dept of Ecology and Chelan County Dept of Natural Resources.

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John Guenther provided an update on the all agency meeting held in Peshastin March 27 on the Peshastin sub-area plan. Kathy Springer reported the land use plans and zones were drafted for public review and comment, now they go to the Peshastin Community Council for comment and then on to the County Commissioners for approval.

Guenther noted the Dryden area will be next for a community meeting which has implications for growth planning especially sewer. Whatever applies to Peshastin from a sewer feasibility study will probably apply to Dryden.

Port legal counsel, Pete Fraley, provided a brief history of the conservation easement negotiated as part of the Port's pending sale of the Peshastin mill property to Charles Reppas. Chelan County has offered to take over as grantee of the conservation easement.

Discussion ensued on the conservation easement and bridge feasibility studies on the Peshastin mill property.

John Guenther and Mark Wiser provided an update and lead a brief discussion on the Energy Efficiency workshop planned for April 24th at the CTC.

Port Economic Development Director, Ron Johnston-Rodriguez and Mark Urdahl updated Commissioners on a variety of port initiatives relating to energy efficiency.

Wayne Wright provided an update on the progress made on public agency procurement thresholds, the cap-n-trade bill which means a great deal to the State of Washington. Wright reported the PUD felt successful in Olympia this session.

Commissioner Larsen provided an update on the Ports' efforts for a \$775,000 funding request from FAA discretionary funds. Commissioner Larsen and Douglas County Port Commissioner Mark Spurgeon plan to return to Washington DC the first of May.

Commissioner Larsen reported the runway length future needs assessment study will be completed by fall.

Mark Urdahl explained the need for additional funding beyond the \$1 million dollars in annual entitlement funds for Pangborn Airport from the FAA. The runway lengthening and Grant Road relocation projects will both need funding beyond the annual entitlement funds.

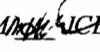

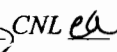
Commissioner Mackey reiterated the need for elimination of fuel loads in the national forests and the affect wildland fires have on the tourism industry in Chelan County. The DOE is working to allow bigger burns and to facilitate harvesting fuel loads for bio fuels. Hopeful, legislation is forthcoming to allow for this, and to soften nuisance laws currently in effect that prevent the bigger burns close to populated areas.

PUD Commissioner Randy Smith reported the construction on the Monitor water project has reached the Easy Street connection. The project came in under budget.

Jeff Smith reported the three entities that invested in the Monitor project engineering study will receive a refund. He also reported the PUD is moving forward to final closing on June 30th of its purchase of the City of Cashmere's electrical utility.

Brief discussion and report on water levels of Lake Chelan.

Port Commission update included: a) interest in the Lake Chelan Chamber property, b) update on the sale of the NW Skill Center to Wenatchee School District, c) integration and renewal of leases with Pacific Aerospace and Electronics, d) wine industry cluster, e)

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Cashmere Airport funding request, f) Pangborn Airport Manager's retirement, and the status of the Cashmere mill site cleanup and development.

Chelan County update included: a) land use planning update, b) Monitor Park managers retiring, c) Hatchery Science Review Group, c) settlement with BPA and the tribes, d) water quality at Lake Wenatchee, e) Entiat watershed, and f) community fire plan for the County.

City of Wenatchee provided a brief update on affordable housing issues being worked on in cooperation with Chelan County, and kudos for all the coordination with crews on the utilities and construction of Walla Walla Street.

John Guenther updated the Commissioners on the Community Indicators project. Focus groups will begin the end of May with website launch due in November. Eastern Washington University is developing the website and will update and maintain. Beth Stipe of the Community Foundation of North Central Washington has been spearheading the project.

Jeff Smith reported that the Chelan Falls Park has been closed due to the rehabilitation work being done on the powerhouse. The park is closed for public safety for two years while the work is completed. The park will be maintained during construction.

Commissioners would like the State legislators invited to the next tri-commission meeting scheduled for August 19th at the Confluence Technology Center.

Donna Lee Moore, a Cashmere resident, commented briefly on the heavy forest fuel loads and the need for caution by agencies on controlled burns.

John Guenther explained briefly the involvement of the cities' involvement in the MOU working group meeting and requested an invitation be extended to them to the next tri-commission meeting.

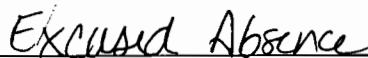
The tri-commission meeting adjourned the meeting at 3:55 pm with no action taken.

Dated and approved this 7th day of May, 2008.

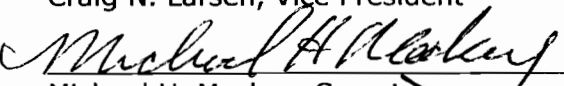
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