

Aug. 25, 2017

1:30 P.M.

Newport, Oregon

The Newport City Council and Port of Newport Commission met in a joint work session on the above date at the Port of Newport Offices. A tour of Port facilities followed.

The Newport City Council and Port of Newport Commission then met in Conference Room A, of the Newport City Hall. In attendance were: Mayor Sandra Roumagoux, Councilors Dietmar Goebel, Mark Saelens, Wendy Engler, Dean Sawyer, David Allen, and Laura Swanson from the City of Newport. From the Port of Newport were: Interim General Manager Aaron Bretz, Commissioners Stewart Lamerdin, Walter Chuck, Jeff Lackey, and Sara Skamser. Commissioner Patricia Patrick-Joling was absent.

Also in attendance were: City Manager Spencer Nebel, City Attorney Steve Rich, Deputy City Recorder Gloria Tucker, Port Administrative Assistant Karen Hewitt, Rex Capri and Doug Cooper.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

##### **Discussion of McLean Point Urban Renewal District**

Nebel said the McLean Point Urban Renewal District was created two and a half years ago for infrastructure improvements at the International Terminal including sewer pumps and mains, storm drainage, waterline and utility upgrades, and street improvements. Allen mentioned the plan when the district was set up was that Rondys would eventually pay property tax on the land. So far, Nebel said no monies have been accruing in the district because the Port of Newport's lease agreement keeps the land off the tax rolls.

##### **Update on Fire Boat**

Nebel said the reason the city has not pursued a Homeland Security grant for a fireboat is that the Port has to meet new Homeland Security standards. Bretz said he has had brief discussions with the Newport Fire Department on what those new standards require of the Port. Bretz said he plans to meet with the Fire Department before the end of September to iron out what the Port must do, what the Port can pay for and what help the Port will need. Ultimately, Bretz said he would like to work security plans into the next budget year. Allen added the need for a fireboat is clear and the community support is clear. Skamser mentioned the Coast Guard could provide a temporary dock if necessary. Nebel said once the Port and City have determined the viability of the Homeland Security grant, he will update the City Council on the next steps. He added the City has time but it needs to use it wisely.

##### **Discussion on International Terminal**

Bretz said the Port Commission decided not to consider the Teevin logging, Sylvan loan, and Rondys agreements in their current form at its last meeting. He said on Wednesday, Aug. 30, he is meeting with the Federal Maritime Administration to discuss the Port's TIGER grant and determine if the Port is allowed to keep that money or not. Part of the TIGER grant included funding from the Sylvan loan. He added the lease with Teevin is still on the table. Allen asked if the Port intends to keep its building permit active. Bretz said the plan is to maintain the building permit until the Commission says otherwise.

He added while it is universally recognized the International Terminal has great potential, it remains to be seen what that will look like.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business, the work session adjourned at 4 P.M.

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