

Special Commission Meeting Minutes October 23, 2023 – 9:00 am 2 Marine Drive, Boardman, Oregon 97818

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Joe Taylor called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioners Present: Rick Stokoe, Joe Taylor, and John Murray

Staff Present: Lisa Mittelsdorf, Mark Patton, Miff Devin, and Brandy

Warburton

Guests Present: Joel Peterson, Travis Hyder, Brian Jackson, Kelly Morgan

By Zoom Meeting: (Commissioner) Kelly Doherty

(Guests) Roberta Lutcher, Lisa Pratt, Travis Snell, Dori D, Erika Lasater, Heppner Gazette, Adolfo, Unknown, Matt Jensen, Lisa, Well Water User, Bill, Kami K, John Doherty, Justin Nelson, Kaleb Lay, Dave Drotzman, Sam Tucker

II. COMMISSION VACANCY – Joe reported to the group that he had sent a letter to the county to make an appointment for the open vacancy on the Port Commission and in their deliberations, they asked us to take more formal action before sending it to them.

John made a motion to appoint Joel Peterson of Ione to fill the vacant position on the Port of Morrow Commission. Kelly seconded the motion. John then handed out Joel's resume and a copy of the original questions that were asked of the five applicants. Discussion was had on whether it was appropriate to ask questions while a motion was on the table. John and Kelly both rescinded the motion so that discussion and questions for Joel Peterson could continue.

All interview questions were asked by the commissioners and answered by Joel.

John made a motion to appoint Joel Peterson of Ione to fill the vacant position on the Port of Morrow Commission. Kelly seconded the motion. Rick stated that he appreciated Commissioner Murray and Commissioner Doherty's willingness to consider an alternate candidate at this point. No further discussion was had. Roll call vote was taken.

John – yes Rick – no Kelly – yes Joe – yes Motion passed 3-1.

Discussion was had by all of when would be the best time to swear in Joel and it was decided to do it today. Joe stated he will send a letter to the County Commission updating them.

Joe swore Joel in with the Oath of Office to the Port of Morrow Commission.

III. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Joe read the following:

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.

A. For the Purpose of Consultation with Counsel Concerning the Legal Rights and Duties of a Public Body with Regard to Current Litigation or Litigation Likely to be Filed – ORS 192.660 (2)(h)

The regular session was adjourned at 10:14am.

Submitted by:

Joe Taylor, Commission President

Lisa Mittelsdorf, Executive Director

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SIGN-IN SHEET

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