

Joint City/Port Meeting and Work Session
August 22, 2016

1. **Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance**

a. **Port Commission Roll Call.** Port Commissioners Joeinne Caldwell, Brad Lorang, Dean Bump, and Port President Jess Groves were present. Port Commissioner John Stipan was absent.

b. **City Council Roll Call.** Mayor Cramblett called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. CM's Glenda Groves, Richard Randall, Bruce Fitzpatrick (via phone), Deanna Busdieker, and Mayor Cramblett were present. CM Bobby Walker was excused and CM Kevin Rutherford was absent.

Also present were City Administrator Gordon Zimmerman, City Recorder Kathy Woosley, Port General Manager Paul Koch, Port Secretary Sally Moore, Heidi Jiminez, Nancy and Joe Renault, JoAnn Wittenberg, Martha LaMont, Dave Palais, Caroline Park, Margie Curtis, Marianne Durkin, Betty Lou Yenne, and Camera Operator Betty Rush.

2. **Adoption of City Consent Agenda.**

a. **Approval of August 8, 2016 Minutes.**

b. **Ratification of the Bills in the Amount of \$ 134,722.82.**

c. **Ratification of Special Event Permit – Thunder Island Brewing.**

d. **Ratification of Special Event Permit – Base Camp Brewing.**

e. **Approval of Annual OLCC License Renewals.**

f. **Approve Noise Waiver.**

Mayor Cramblett read the items on the Consent Agenda. City Recorder Kathy Woosley asked to add Columbia Market to the OLCC Renewals as there was a mix up and it was not on there and needed to be added. **Motion:** CM Randall moved, seconded by CM Groves. CM Busdieker stated that at PCT days, there was no one at the food entrance checking ID's at the beer garden. The motion passed unanimously by CM's Groves, Randall, Busdieker, Fitzpatrick and Mayor Cramblett.

3. **JOINT WORK SESSION:**

a. **Fish Food Bank Presentation – Marianne Durkin** - The President of Fish Food Bank, Marianne Durkin, stated the Food Bank has been around since 1969. She stated she last attended a City Council meeting in 2011 and was approached at that time to bring a food bank to Cascade Locks, as the church would no longer provide emergency food assistance. Two years ago, the Fish Food Bank became a 501c3 nonprofit. They have been very busy, opening a food bank in Parkdale, Odell and Cascade Locks. They purchase food through Oregon Food Bank Network, receive food from local grocery stores and sometime the Corbett Grange. (Exhibit 1) They fund raise as well. There are 300 volunteers. It is very labor intensive. They serve in Cascade Locks once a month, and have 35-40 total requests. They also serve some homebound seniors and provide food for Providence Home Hospice of the Gorge. Port President Groves thanked Marianne and stated his parents were involved in something like this. Commissioner Caldwell thanked Martha Lamont for all of her hard work in Cascade Locks.

b. **Friends of the Museum Presentation – Martha Lamont** – Martha stated the Museum will hold the annual Magical History Tour on the Sternwheeler, October 7. Tickets are \$50 a person. There will be food provided and a silent auction this year and there are many great prizes. John Stipan will be the Emcee this year.

c. **Celebration of the Past – Optimism in the Future – Paul Koch and Gordon Zimmerman.** City Administrator Gordon Zimmerman and Port of Cascade Locks General Manager Paul Koch stated now is the time to acknowledge and celebrate together the 4.5 years of past accomplishments and a great vision of the future. Eighteen months ago there was 18% unemployment now it is about 12%. The Port has done a great job working with the expansion of Bear Mountain. They are building a dryer, which will double the amount of electricity the City uses. Thunder Island Brewing is expanding. City Administrator Zimmerman stated the budgets are being kept in check. He added the Water Project will start in February 2017. There are 18 building permits this month. The property across City Hall has been sold. Port Economic Development Manager, Don Mann reported there are many interested parties

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calling about Port properties in Cascade Locks. GM Koch stated the vision and growth for the last few years has been partly because the elected leaders created the Joint Work Group on Economic Development, the Tourism Committee and brought many events to town, and they have all been working together very hard. The future is looking very good for Cascade Locks. GM Koch stated the City was at survival and not sustainability a few years ago. Commissioner Caldwell stated that the fear of losing the school as well as the building started so many things for the community. She believes the community could get the school back as 25 more homes are being built. At this point, there are 64 students. They need 220 students to bring a K-12 school back, CA Zimmerman stated. He said many professionals from Insitu may buy homes in Cascade Locks and that may bring children. Apartments will be needed to house workers that are employed in retail, etc. Half moving in may be seniors stated Zimmerman. Port President Groves thanked Commissioners and City Council members for all of their volunteer time making things happen in Cascade Locks. He stated transportation and roads are very important as the population increases and a plan needs to be worked as the community changes. The State will fund an update to the City Transportation Plan stated CA Zimmerman. ODOT will have to recognize the need for a new on ramp and off ramp to I-84. Next year the City will have much more data to make a case to ODOT when they have the new plan. The FAST Act that Congress passed last year has money available for the Port to apply for projects on the bridge and transportation infrastructure. Port President Groves stated the Port would have three ribbon cuttings in the Business Park soon. They will be announced in the Port newsletter. Mayor Cramblett stated a Committee needs to be created to form a volunteer fire department. This is a good time with new people coming to town. GM Koch stated the future is very bright for Cascade Locks. That is what happens when everyone works together. CA Zimmerman stated that the advertising the Tourism Committee did has been very far-reaching and successful. Commissioner Caldwell thanked Port President Groves for the determination to bring business here. He is on four different boards in the State, has made many connections, and is always there to speak about Cascade Locks. CM Randall thanked members of the Food Bank for their tremendous and successful hard work.

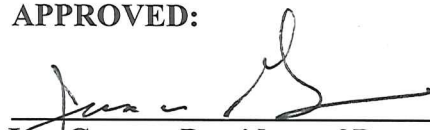
d. **Other Matters. None**

4. **Adjournment. Motion:** CM Busdieker moved, seconded by CM Groves, to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously by CM's Groves, Randall, Busdieker, Fitzpatrick and Mayor Cramblett. The meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Prepared by

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APPROVED:



Jess Groves, President of Port of Cascade Locks