

**PORT OF NEWPORT
MINUTES
December 23, 2014
Special Meeting**

I. Call to Order/Introductions

The Special Meeting of the Port of Newport to discuss approval of an international terminal mitigation construction contract amendment with Natt McDougall Company was called to order by Walter Chuck, President, at noon in the South Beach Marina Activities Room.

Commissioners Present: David Jincks, Walter Chuck, Dean Fleck, Ken Brown, JoAnn Barton.

Commissioners Absent: none.

Port of Newport Management and Staff: Kevin Greenwood, General Manager.

Others Present: none.

II. Construction Contract Amendment No. 32 w/ Natt McDougall Co. (NMC)

Greenwood discussed the \$501,000 amendment to upgrade the culvert behind the Aquarium which is the final component of the mitigation related to the berth deepening at the international terminal. The funding for all but \$200,000 of the project is currently available in the Construction Fund. The final \$200,000 will be funded via an interfund loan between NOAA and the Construction fund. (The amount will be closer to \$350,000 in the case additional unforeseen expenses come up.)

As part of Amendment No. 31, NMC will be working on eel grass dredging as part of the NOAA mitigation work and as such a loan from the General Fund to NOAA will allow that work to be completed. Since the eel grass dredging expense was unforeseen, a supplemental budget using NOAA unappropriated ending fund balance is not allowed to be used. However, the general fund can grant a loan for the amount (\$250,000) with the NOAA paying it back on July 1 during the following budget year.

The third project is the asphaltting related to the possible moving of fishing gear near the terminal. The \$150,000 capital outlay will occur out of the General Fund by pulling \$75,000 each from Personal Services and Materials & Service.

Greenwood will give Rep. Gomberg an update on the project in the new year. The Commission expressed concern about the costs related to mitigation projects that have a positive economic impact on the state. Greenwood assured the Commission that he would pass the concern along.

Motion by Barton, second by Fleck to approve Amendment No. 32 with Natt McDougall Company in an amount not to exceed \$502,000 and to direct staff to present a supplemental budget at the January meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

III. Adjournment

There being nothing more to come before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting was adjourned at 12:20pm

ATTEST:

Walter Chuck, President

Ken Brown, Secretary/Treasurer