

PORT OF NEWPORT MINUTES

March 28, 2017

Commission Work Session
Greater Newport Vision 2040

I. CALL TO ORDER

Commission President Walter Chuck called the Commission Work Session of the Port of Newport Board of Commissioners to order at 12:05 pm at the South Beach Activities Room, 2120 SE Marine Science Drive, Newport, Oregon.

Commissioners Present: Walter Chuck (Pos. #1), President; Ken Brown (Pos. #4), Vice-President; and Steve Beck (Pos. #2).

Commissioners Absent: Patricia Patrick-Joling (Pos. #5), Secretary/Treasurer, and Stewart Lamerdin (Pos. #3).

Management and Staff: Kevin Greenwood, General Manager, and Karen Hewitt, Administrative Assistant.

Members of the Public and Media: Sara Skamser, Foulweather Trawl; Lee Fries, Port of Newport Volunteer Mates; Rex Capri; Doug Cooper, Hampton Lumber; Dietmar Goebel, Newport City Council; Jennifer Stevenson, Newport Fishermen's Wives; and Spencer Nebel, Newport City Manager.

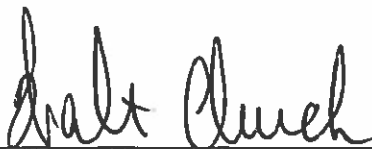
II. VISIONING SESSION – SPENCER NEBEL FACILITATOR • NEWPORT AREA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Nebel distributed materials (appended to the meeting packet) to the Commissioners about the City of Newport's vision planning, called Vision 2040. Nebel called the process "Vision in a Box", and said he was seeking comments about what's important for the future of Newport and the greater Newport area. Nebel said the process was in phase two, kickoff event and community outreach. The City was reaching out to advisory boards, commissions, and public sessions to collect independent feedback from approximately 700 people. Nebel said the focus areas at this meeting would be economic aspects of the vision plan, such as jobs, economic diversity, tourist and vacation industry, maritime industry, the Port, science, ECHO, and agro-tourism. Nebel said he would collect raw information to use in developing the City's strategic plan. He would look for vetting of the plan and feedback with the intent to finalize in August of 2017.

Nebel handed out the comment card to those attending the meeting and said the focus area at this meeting would be creating new business and jobs. He gave a few minutes for the Commission and public to complete questions one and two on the Comment Card. Nebel then went around the room asking for the responses which were recorded on a flip chart by Greenwood. Nebel then gave time for the Commission and public to answer questions three and four, which were also recorded on the flip chart by Greenwood. Once the responses were recorded, Nebel asked that everyone prioritize the vision items from question three. Nebel collected the Comment Cards and flip charts, and he will compile the information for the Port and to add to the overall visioning process.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:20 pm.



Walter Chuck, President

ATTESTED:



Patricia Patrick-Joling, Secretary/Treasurer

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