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PORT MEETING SCHEDULE

**Combined Work Session &
Regular Meeting**, August 25, 6:00 p.m.
Yaquina Bay Yacht Club
750 SE Bay Blvd. Newport, OR

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Newport is Successful in its Bid for NOAA MOC-P

The Port of Newport received word from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration on August 4, 2009, that it was successful in its bid to bring NOAA's Marine Operations Center-Pacific to Yaquina Bay beginning in 2011.

"This is stunning news," said Port Commission President Ginny Goblirsch. "We knew we had a strong proposal and that Newport was the perfect location. Our success is the result of a tremendous community effort. Having NOAA MOC-P based in Newport will be pivotal in our history as we continue to evolve as the major center for marine research and education and one of the top US fishing ports. One of our unique strengths is the leadership our fleet has shown as research partners with scientists. This is a gift beyond measure to our community and the State of Oregon."

In its offer, the Port touted the collaborative work among scientific agencies at the Hatfield Marine Science Center, commercial fishermen, vessel owners, state and federal regulatory agencies, and the Oregon Coast Aquarium. It also emphasized that Yaquina Bay offers central, close-up access to high value marine environments, which would reduce fuel consumption and carbon footprints from NOAA's research vessels.

"NOAA is committed to providing the highest level of science, service, and value to the nation," said Rear Adm. Jonathan W. Bailey, director of the NOAA Office of Marine and Aviation Operations and the NOAA Corps. "We look forward to reuniting NOAA's West Coast research ships and support personnel at one facility and being an active part of the community."

Home porting NOAA's Pacific fleet in Newport enjoys widespread community support, the support of the state legislature, US Congressman Kurt Schrader, and US Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley.

The Port of Newport commission met in special session on August 5, 2009, to act on the 20-year lease with NOAA.

International Terminal Project Update

The Port is working with its consulting engineers on a budget, plan, and timeline for removing the Pasley and moving the dock face closer to shore to create mitigation. The Hennebique would be remediated and left in place for later removal as funds become available. The revised renovation plan includes the removal of the top layer of the bow and stern of the Hennebique in order to level out the final dock elevation. The Port will work closely with ODFW and its environmental consultants on the Joint Permit Application and will schedule an all-agency meeting after the budget is finalized and the engineers have completed a more complex, refined, and detailed construction plan, probably by mid-September. For more information, contact General Manager Don Mann at 541-265-7758.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

08/05—"Fishing for Energy" Media Event, International Terminal, 11:00 a.m.
 08/05—Special Meeting, 12:00 p.m., Port office
 08/05—Full Moon
 08/8-9—Bridge-to-Bridge (Astoria-Newport) Sail Boat Race
 08/12—Fishermen's Forum 8:30-9:30 a.m., Port Office
 08/15-16—Wooden Boat Show , Port of Toledo
 08/25—Regular Port Commission Meeting, 6:00 p.m. YBYC Club House
 08/28—SDAO Board Training, Best Western Agate Beach Inn, 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.



Commissioner JoAnn Barton reading Resolution 5-2009 authorizing signing the NOAA lease

Report From The Shipping Terminal

There were 108 fishing vessels at the terminal during the month of July. Some of the distant water fleet has gone north for a season that opened last month. J. Lamb Marine Electric has been working on the boats that did not go north, and Northern Refrigeration has been working on F/V Patricia Lee, an Alaska crab boat. Foulweather Trawl is repairing bottom nets and building new ones.



F/V Progress and F/V Patricia Lee at the terminal dock
 (Photo by Patty Benjamin)

F/V Noah's Ark and F/V Miss Julie were chartered for a National Marine Fisheries Service research project. The project will start again in mid-August and F/V Raven and F/V Excalibur will participate.

As part of the "Fishing for Energy" partnership, a collection bin has been placed at the terminal to provide a cost-free solution for fishermen to dispose of old, derelict, unusable fishing gear. The gear will subsequently be converted into clean, renewable energy at the Covanta Marion Energy-From-Waste facility in Brooks, OR.

The South Side

The Fourth of July weekend came and went with no real problems. The wind was out of the south so most of the fireworks went off over the bay and not in the parking lot.

The H-dock project is ongoing, though it is a challenge for the crew to find time to work on it during the busy season. The Port had budgeted loan revenue for the dock renovation but has been able to fund the repairs from working capital without using the loan capacity for this project.

The Oregon Tuna Classic Fishing Tournament went well. The event brought approximately 400 people into town. Sixty boats were registered and the sixty 4-man teams caught 210 tuna, resulting in a donation of 4,200 pounds of fresh albacore to Food Share. South Beach Harbormaster Chris Urbach and his crew worked hard to get the old boat ramp and docks ready to go, and Walter Chuck did a great job of coordinating the local event. The tournament is gaining momentum and there is talk of filming parts of it for outdoor shows.

The Astoria to Newport Bridge-to-Bridge race is scheduled for August 8, so there will likely be 8-10 sail boats arriving in port on August 9.



(Photo by MaryLou Moore)

The North Side

The whiting season went well and the commercial docks were not overcrowded with boats; then tuna season got underway and the wind piped up, and there was no room at the docks. The hoist dock is busy as the local fleet offloads tuna to the fish buyers, and many boats are selling their catch directly from their vessels. Port of Newport General Manager Don Mann attended the city council meeting on July 6 and requested an amendment to the city's sign ordinance to expand the Bay Boulevard boundary to include the Port dock 7 area, which it does not at this time. The council was receptive to the request and forwarded the recommended change on to staff and the planning commission. The planning commission met on July 13. The request is considered a land use regulation and the city is obligated to prove 45-days notice to the state prior to the first hearing, which will occur on August 24, followed by city council action in September. In the meantime, the fishermen can legally place their signs on Port easements or rights of way over the next couple of months.

Election of Officers

At the regular monthly meeting on July 28, 2009, Commission President Ginny Goblirsch administered Oaths of Office for Commissioner Don Mathews, Position 4, and Commissioner David Jincks, Position 2. Mathews and Jincks won seats on the Port of Newport Board of Commissioner in the May 19, 2009 Special Election. On a motion approved unanimously, the Port Commission will retain the same slate of officers for the next year.

- Ginny Goblirsch, President
- Dean Fleck, Vice-President
- JoAnn Barton, Secretary
- Don Mathews, Treasurer
- David Jincks, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

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Dredge Yaquina
(Photo by Patty Benjamin)

Wooden Boat Show Port of Toledo

The Port of Toledo will host the Fifth Annual Wooden Boat Show August 15-16, 2009. The weekend event will feature new and vintage wooden boats on display, the Yaquina Run-Off (choose between a 3 or 9 mile course), a 6-mile Poker Paddle, and a family boat building event. There will be food and craft vendors and Rogue Ales will offer a beer garden. Live music on Saturday will range from folk to jazz to rock & roll, along with the Mamidou Thioud African Drum Troupe, and swamp music by Kelly Thibodeaux of Etouffee. The Wooden Boat Show is located just a block away from Toledo's main street. For registration forms and more information, visit www.portoftoledo.org. Admission to the Wooden Boat Show is free.