

Port of Bandon  
Budget Committee Hearing &  
Regular Commission Meeting  
September 28, 2023, 5:30 pm  
Bandon Public Library & Via Zoom  
Bandon, OR

Commissioners Present: Reg Pullen, Don Starbuck, Donny Goddard, Wayne Butler

Commissioners Absent: Rick Goche

Staff: Jeff Griffin - Port Manager and Josh Adamson – Port Specialist

Guests: Lori Osborne, John Towne, Cadence Adamson, Dino Kahmalane, Rich Batchelder, Bobby and Donna (no last name given)

Commissioner Pullen opened the meeting at 5:00pm

Commissioner Pullen asked for a motion to approve the consent calendar. **A motion was made by Commissioner Butler. Commissioner Goddard seconded the motion. Motion passes unanimously.**

**Griffin provided reports on the following:**

Mobilization on the marina and launch ramp projects should begin Monday October 2nd. A new gangway orientation was added to the final design of the marina coming off the old oil tank storage platform. Boaters will use the existing loading pier for loading/unloading and walk around to access gangway. This solves the electrical dilemma cost effectively. Electrical on the west end is still being configured. With the new orientation there is a loss of one slip overall, but about 150' shorter walking access to most of the slips and immediate access to the kayak dock.

Dredging operations will be October-December. Bergerson will be using West Coast Contractors barge for dredging. The marina will receive new steel piles with HDPE sleeves. This design cuts the need for anodes to help with electrolysis in the marina. A handout was presented showing West Coasts timeline of projects to be completed. Commissioner Starbuck asked about dredging out the storm drain behind Prowler Charters. Commissioner Butler discussed concerns regarding the spatial configuration of the fillet station.

Fireworks will be going on Saturday in honor of local Anthony Zunino. Anthony is battling cancer and has been the city's rep for fireworks for over 25 years.

Concerns were raised in July by the Coquille Indian tribe's cultural resources office about the north spit location of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks show, and Jeff has been working with the State Historic Preservation Agency and tribes to work out a new agreeable method to allow the show to continue.

The tribe also expressed concern about a totem pole like wood carving located behind Bandon Fish Market that was donated years ago to the Port but was at odds with how the tribe wanted to be represented. The sculpture has been returned to the artist.

There will be a tribal monitor present for the excavation of the launch ramp project. A blue schist sacred rock known as "Grandmother Rock" is not to be used as fill. Commissioner Pullen explained when the marina was originally constructed in 1984, there were clay beads found.

**Staff Report:**

Prowler assisted with towing a few remaining boats unable to vacate over to the crab dock for temporary moorage. Staff assisted and also towed one of the smaller sailboats with the work skiff. The Port owned vessel formally owned by Don Chance was towed to launch ramp only to have the trailer tires blow out upon boat loading and removal. Staff is figuring out the next steps as the boat is currently still on trailer in boat launch parking lot. A discussion was had by Commissioners to possibly sell or dispose of the vessel.

Commissioner Pullen commented that there have been complaints of the Cormorants feeding on the salmon smolts being released on Ferry Creek. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is the agency primarily responsible to take control of the situation.

Josh had no comments.

**Public Comment:** Dino asked for copy of handout. Lori commended Jeff on the marina project but expressed concerns about the need for replicating the fillet station used by Prowler Charters. Lori discussed the possibility of gates for the new marina with a pin pad design.

Regular Meeting was adjourned at 6:20pm

Respectfully submitted by

Joshua Adamson