



MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING
Held May 3, 2021

The May 3, 2021 Business Meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m., by President Grubenhoff. The meeting was held at the Port of Sunnyside's Business Administration Office located at 2640 E. Edison Avenue, Suite 1, Sunnyside, WA.

Commissioners and Staff present at the Business Meeting:

Jim Grubenhoff, Commission President
Tyler Schilperoort, Commission Vice President
Arnold Martin, Commission Secretary
Jay Hester, Executive Director
Travis Jansen, Project Manager
Karen Hofmann, Director of Finance & Administration
Nicole Jech, Communications Director
Lucia Navarro, Administrative Assistant

GUESTS: None

GUESTS COMMENTS: None

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

- The Integrated Planning Grant application was submitted in January and Port staff learned this week that the application was approved by the Department of Ecology. The Port will now have funding available for the redevelopment of the Planter's Hotel site. Jay shared that the clean up on the site is almost done and once that part is completed then work on redeveloping the site can begin. Commissioner Schilperoort asked if there is a lot of contamination on the south side of the building. Jay stated that during the initial study, it did not appear that it had spread much. The overall goal of this clean-up project is to redevelop the property in order to jump start the redevelopment of the downtown Sunnyside core.
- Jay asked the Commissioners if they are interested in being a part of the City's Comprehensive Plan update. The plan has not been updated in at least 14 years and the City is working on updating the plan. Considering the implications that the plan will have on industrial development within the community, Port staff feel that it is important to work with the City, and possibly an outside firm, to ensure that the community's best interest is at the forefront of these plans. All three Commissioners conveyed their interest in working with the City on this project. A meeting will be set up with the City to discuss this project further.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT: The Business Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m., peace and harmony prevailing.



Jim Grubenhoff, President

ATTEST:


Arnold Martin, Treasurer