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PORT OF DEWATTO REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 3, 2003

Chairperson Lorraine Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:00P<. Commissioner Jon Byerly and Port Manager, Christine Phalen was in attendance. Commissioner Robert (Doug) Stevens was absent.

Guests present: Ken Jarstad, Pete Lambert, Merv Clements, Barbara Burgess, LeRoy Burgess and Sid Cackette.

CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Motion was made to accept minutes of May 6, 2003 as written. Motion Carried.
2. Motion was made to accept vouchers as prepared. Motion Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Campground: Chairperson Kelly asked Port Manager Chris Phalen if she had anything to report. Port Manager reported the campground receipts collected was at \$4000.00.

Port Manager reported that she had not been able to reach Pat Halfner to check on the progress of the fire pits for the campground. Commissioner Byerly said he had been in the shop and that there were many of the fire pits already completed and that there is an assembly line going. Commissioner Byerly said he could set up a time where we could go up and take a look at the product.

Commissioner Byerly met with Ken Jarstad at the campground and was impressed with how many people using the campground. He suggested that the Dewatto Campground sign was in need of repair. He also recommended that a large sign near the entrance to the campground be installed to make it easier for those using the campground to review the rules.

It was suggested that the rules and regulations be reviewed and the sign be made along with the RCW and WAC be listed. With this being installed we might be able to get the Sheriff's department to make a drive through at least on the weekend.

Commissioner Byerly reported on the progress of the Manke talks. He stated that he had not been in contact directly with Manke Lumber. They have been playing phone

tag. He is trying to set up a meeting with Dale Hall at the land in question. Jon, also, wanted to have Attorney Gordon Walgren when they were discussing the possible lease.

Commissioner Byerly discussed a Tourism Conference at Lakeland Village that he attended. There was other Commissioner from the area there along with the Chamber of Commerce, Senator Sheldon, County Commissioners and other interested individuals. There was discussion about the peninsula getting together to discuss common interests and how to enhance the area in a positive light.

It was suggested that the Commissioners take a look at the signage in other campsites to make sure we cover all that is important.

**LANDSCAPING:** It was decided that the discussion on the work that has been done would be tabled until the next meeting when all the Commissioners were in attendance. Commissioner Byerly did make a comment about whether the landscaping would prove to help bring in revenue to the Port.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:** Commissioner Kelly has been working on the Comprehensive plan to include the items discussed at the special meeting. She will have the plan ready for presentation at the next regular Port meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Parking Lot:** This item was tabled until next meeting.

**Port Flooring Repairs:** Port Manager Phalen reported on the repairs to the linoleum in the Port building. There were several seams that were loose. Carpet One came out and checked it and set up a day to make repairs. They fixed all the seams but in the cloakroom they found moisture under the linoleum. They were unable to determine where it was coming from. Carpet One is trying to get the Company to replace the flooring in the kitchen, bathrooms.

**OPEN DISCUSSION:**

Mervyn Clements discussed the issue of the campgrounds having campers who had caused some problems. As a member of the Community Response Team, he questioned whether the volunteers should respond to reports of injury or fire at the campground. They were called out late one night for what was called in as an asthma attack. Evidently this was in fact a drinking party. He felt the Commission should find some way to stop this problem.

Commissioner Byerly explained that all public parks are experiencing this same problem. The Sheriff's department should be called but since there is no cellular service this can pose an additional problem.

A question was raised about getting a host camper to stay at the campground. Screening for a host camper is a time consuming long process. The Commission will take this issue under advisement.

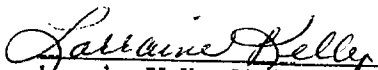
It was suggested that the Sheriff's office be contacted to see if a drive through by them was a possibility. The issue of how to handle this problem will also be discussed by the Commission.

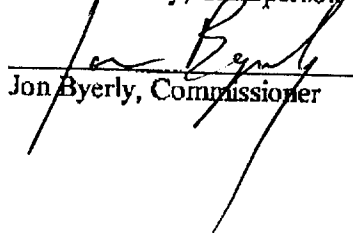
The audience again raised question about Dewatto Daze. It was explained that 2 years ago it was decided that the community did not want Dewatto Daze to be sponsored by the Port. Commissioner Kelly recommended that the community members get together to discuss what they would like to see and how they would like it run and then present the plan to the Port Commission for further discussion.

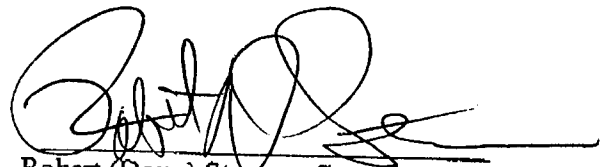
Sid Cackette asked if the Commission had done anything about trying to get more residents of the area to attend the Port Meetings. People in other areas within the Port district have been contacted but have had very little response. This is an item that needs further discussion and will be placed on the agenda.

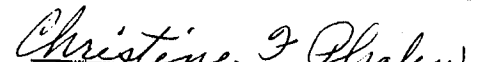
It was decided that an Executive Session would be called prior to the Regular Meeting on July 1, 2003. The Executive Session will be at 6:00PM, then followed by the regular meeting at 7:00PM at the Port building.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35PM.

  
Lorraine Kelly, Chairperson

  
Jon Byerly, Commissioner

  
Robert (Doug) Stevens, Commissioner

  
Christine F. Phalen, Port Manager/Sec.