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Minutes

SPECIAL MEETING

MARCH 1, 2016

1. Chairman Eddy Van Haven Soden called the meeting to order at 1809. Commissioner Richard T. Edwards and Commissioner Lynett McLean were in attendance, as well as, Acting Manager, Leanna Krotzer. Joe Newman, campground security, showed as well.

Guests Present: Dave Hough and EJ Iddings.

Special Meeting was held to discuss hiring of Port Manager and the future of the current job at the campground, no other business will be conducted or discussed at this meeting. This was scheduled tentatively at the last regular meeting on February 8, 2016 to be held on March 7, 2016. Since Commissioner Edwards was leaving town for work on March 4, 2016 it was decided on February 28, 2016 by phone between the commissioners and Leanna Krotzer to have the Special Meeting on March 1, 2016 at 1700 in the port building. The posting was placed on the building and at the campground more than 24 hours before the beginning of the meeting per the Public Meeting requirement.

Mr. Newman, campground support, was asked to come to the meeting to discuss the future of the job he was doing for the port. He was asked to bring keys and phone to the meeting. Mr. Newman came in about 1700 put all campground supplies, keys, and phone on the table said he was done and left. The commissioners were going to ask that he finished out the month of March but did not get a chance. He dropped off the keys, phone, and campground paperwork/envelopes. He still had the port debit card that was issued to him. Leanna said she would talk to Joe or his wife, Suzanne to get it back and was not worried about the card. The commissioners asked Leanna to cancel the card as soon as possible as a precaution.

Mrs. Krotzer came a half an hour late. Dave Hough had submitted a letter typed by him concerning how the hiring was being conducted by the port. He was concerned that the job was not put out long enough and that 30 days instead of 2 working days was needed to do it right. The job description was put out for one run of the weekly paper in Belfair (Belfair Herald). The ad was to be replied to by February 4, 2016 (4 working days and weekend). He also made a public record request to the Mason County Auditors, Paige

Hansen who sent him the internal audit report and told him that 2014 had not been done and was overdue. He was concerned that since we had not done this report that we were not being transparent and that since we do not give copies of the warrants to go out, that we are not doing business in a public manner.

Mr. Iddings spoke up saying that it was not transparent that Mrs. Krotzer was the one getting the mail and there was not enough time to reply to the ad.

Mrs. Krotzer replied that she had read about how to hire the port manager and the commissioners have the right to hire who they want as long as they do it in a public meeting and there was not a written process to hire the port manager. She had reported to the commissioners that there were no resumes received for this ad. The commissioners said that they would look into the legalities and put out the job in the newspaper for another 30 days. Mrs. Krotzer stated that the original ad that ran for one week of the paper cost \$160, so if we times that by 4 it will be \$640 plus the original \$160 totaling \$800 to run this ad. She said she would go back through the steps taken to have this meeting, call our lawyer, and talk to the Port Association about the method we took to do this. She would report to the commissioners by phone to relay the information.

Mr. Iddings spoke of his concern that some of what he asked to be put in to the minutes never made it there. He recorded the conversation on his phone at this meeting. Since the discussion he was talking about was not on topic of this meeting, the commission including Mrs. Krotzer asked that he come to the next meeting.

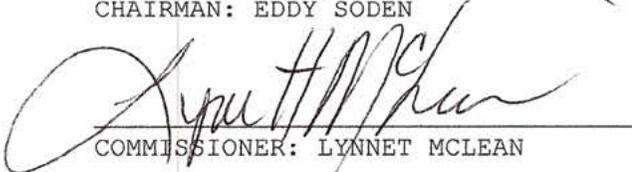
The commissioners decided that there will be no decisions made at this meeting and would have to finish the hiring at a later date.

5. Chairman Soden adjourned the meeting at 1820. The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2016 at 1800.

Commissioners sign:



CHAIRMAN: EDDY SODEN



COMMISSIONER: LYNNET MCLEAN

COMMISSIONER: RICHARD T EDWARDS