



## PORT COMMISSION OF THE PORT OF EDMONDS

### MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

May 25, 2016

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#### COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Bruce Faires, President  
Fred Gouge, Vice President  
Jim Orvis, Secretary  
David Preston

#### STAFF PRESENT

Bob McChesney, Executive Director  
Tina Drennan, Finance Manager  
Megan LeBlanc, Administrative Assistant

#### OTHERS PRESENT

Bradford Cattle, Port Attorney

#### CALL TO ORDER

Commission President Faires called the special meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All those in attendance participated in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

**COMMISSIONER PRESTON MOVED THAT THE CONSENT AGENDA BE APPROVED TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

##### **A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**COMMISSIONER GOUGE SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### INTERVIEWS FOR APPOINTMENT TO PORT COMMISSION

Commissioner Faires welcomed the attendees and applicants to the special meeting, and thanked the applicants for applying for this position and taking time out of their day to attend the interviews. Commissioner Gouge wanted to disclose that of the three candidates, he has had a business relationship with one of the candidates. Mr. Cattle emphasized that this is not an ongoing relationship, and will not affect Commissioner Gouge's decision in this matter. Mr. McChesney also noted that the Port received four applications for the open position, and one candidate was disqualified for lack of residency.

The Port Commission interviewed the following candidates:

9:45am: Interview of Steve Johnston  
10:30am: Interview of Eric Livingston  
11:15am: Interview of Michael Jones

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Faires announced that the Port Commission was going to recess into Executive Session and asked the Port's Attorney Brad Cattle to provide the announcement concerning the Executive Session. Attorney Brad Cattle stated that the Port Commission would recess into Executive Session for two purposes: (1) to discuss the qualifications of the applicants of the candidates for the position of Port Commissioner; (2) to discuss with legal counsel one pending municipal matter under review for possible appeal. He said that the Executive Session is anticipated to last for 25 minutes and the Commission is anticipated to return to regular session at 12:05 pm. The Executive Session concluded at 12:05 pm. and the Port Commission returned to regular session. Upon returning to regular session, Mr. Cattle reiterated the subjects of the Executive Session and stated that the Port Commission took no action in Executive Session.

### **APPOINTMENT OF NEW PORT COMMISSIONER**

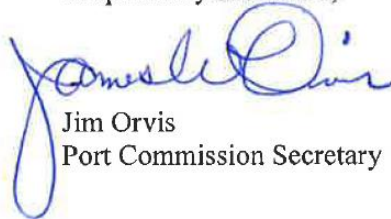
Commissioner Faires noted that the Commission will now open the floor for nominations for Port Commissioner. Commissioner Gouge thanked the applications for applying, and taking the time to consider why they would want to be a Port Commissioner. This shows a great commitment to public and the want to be involved in public service. Commissioner Orvis reiterated that the Commissioners have not voted yet, and noted that the decision was much more difficult than he anticipated. Commissioner Faires noted that the community has and will continue to benefit from either of the candidates. He then opened the floor for nominations.

**COMMISSIONER ORVIS NOMINATED STEVE JOHNSTON FOR THE AT LARGE POSITION 5 PORT COMMISSIONER. COMMISSIONER PRESTON SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The special Commission meeting adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jim Orvis  
Port Commission Secretary