

**THE PORT DISTRICT OF SOUTH WHIDBEY ISLAND
SPECIAL MEETING**

Held in the Coffman (4-H) Building on the Fairgrounds, 819 Camano Ave., Langley, WA
Tuesday, October 24, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.

AGENDA

SPECIAL MEETING CALL TO ORDER and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (3:00 p.m.)

Fairgrounds

- William Shelton Story Pole

Clinton Dock Repairs

ADJOURNMENT (Approximately 5:00 p.m.)

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Minutes of the Special Meeting

October 24, 2017

Langley, Washington

Commissioners Present: Curt Gordon (Clinton), Jack Ng (Freeland) & Ed Halloran (Langley)

Port Staff: Angi Mozer (Executive Director), Molly MacLeod-Roberts (Port Clerk), Roxy Taylor (Fairgrounds Property Manager), Pat Kisch (Maintenance & Operations Supervisor) and David Schaal (Fairgrounds Maintenance Staff)

Additional Attendees: Bill Haroldson (President, South Whidbey Historical Society) and his son, Mark Haroldson (interested citizen) and Tulalip Tribes representatives Steve Madison (Master Carver), Tessa Campbell (Senior Curator, Hilibulb Cultural Center) and her Assistant Curator, Emily.

MEETING CALL TO ORDER: The Special Meeting of the Port District of South Whidbey Island's Board of Commissioners was convened on Tuesday, October 24, 2017, at the Fairgrounds in the Coffman Building meeting room at 819 Camano Ave. in Langley, WA.

Commissioner Curt Gordon, President, called the Special Meeting to order at 3:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Fairgrounds

- **William Shelton Story Pole:** The pole was carved 80+ years ago by William Shelton, the last hereditary chief of the Snohomish Tribe. **Bill Haroldson** (President, South Whidbey Historical Society) provided several handouts regarding Shelton's history and preservation of story poles. Last June, curators and carvers from the Tulalip Tribes came to see it and confirmed it was a Shelton pole.

Master Carver **Steve Madison** stated, "*The pole needs to come down soon. There is dry rot going up the side and it is going to fall.*" Curator **Tessa Campbell** said it is especially concerning after the very dry summer, which caused the wood to shrink and split. When the rainy season returns, the wood will swell and change the molecular structure of the pole.

Mark Haroldson introduced himself as a concerned citizen who wants to see the pole restored, and he is willing to start a non-profit to fund the restoration.

Madison said that although the pole can be cut into sections for removal, he doesn't think that will be necessary. He recommends having a conservator come look at it to determine the best method to bring it down safely and work with them on the restoration process. He explained the process for removing the story pole would basically be the same as removing a telephone pole. Once it is safely down, the pole must be laid flat, but off of the ground (on wooden pallets or something similar) under some type of weather covering (tarps, etc.). Madison said the restoration could take 2-3 years. The Port, the Historical Society and the Tribes view the removal, restoration and replacement of the Shelton pole as an opportunity to educate the public by documenting each of the restoration stages. It will likely generate a great deal of community interest. Madison asked if anyone had applied for funds from the Tribes, and Mark Haroldson said not yet; they'd need to set up the non-profit first. Gordon noted that any applications or other activities must go through Port staff. Campbell will be the point of contact for the Tribes and Executive Director Angi Mozer will be the point of contact for the Port.

Gordon noted there are several local companies who could safely remove the pole in one piece. Next steps: The Port will work on setting up a date to take it down and finding a safe place to store it on Port property.

Clinton Dock Repairs: The Port received the following bids for the project (including sales tax):

- 1. Combined Construction, Inc. \$27,175.00
- 2. Duwamish Services, LLC \$56,795.75
- 3. Massana Construction, Inc. \$39,096.13

Combined Construction is the apparent lowest bidder. At Gordon’s suggestion, Mozer contacted the company to double-check that they understood the project will require longshoremen’s insurance (which tends to drive up project costs). Regarding scheduling, the project manager said that once the contract is in place, submittals are provided and approved, and the materials are ordered it should be 2-3 week lead time with approximately one week’s worth of work. He will confirm with his insurance agent and make sure the longshoremen’s insurance is included in the company’s coverage. Mozer recommended awarding the project to Combined Construction.

ACTION: A Motion was made by Commissioner Ed Halloran and seconded by Commissioner Jack Ng to accept Combined Construction, Inc.’s bid proposal as submitted in the amount of \$27,175 for the Clinton Dock Repairs Project.

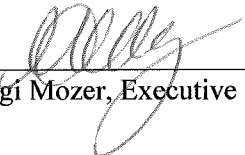
ADJOURNMENT: The Special Meeting was adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

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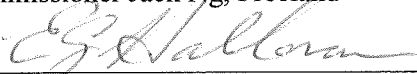


Commissioner Curt Gordon, Clinton

Minutes reviewed by:



Angi Mozer, Executive Director

Commissioner Jack Ng, Freeland


Commissioner Ed Halloran, Langley

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