

**PORT OF BREMERTON**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**

**MINUTES**

March 28, 2023  
6:00 PM

Bill Mahan Conference Room  
Port Administration Offices  
Bremerton Nat'l Airport Terminal Bldg  
8850 SW State Hwy 3, Bremerton  
Remote Option via Zoom

**Commissioners and Staff Present**

Commissioners

Axel Strakeljahn  
Gary Anderson  
Cary Bozeman (Remote)

Staff Members

Jim Rothlin  
Arne Bakker  
Jeremiah Wiley  
James Weaver  
James Goodman  
Monroe Whitman IV  
Ginger Waye  
Stephanie Frame  
Anne Montgomery, Atty

**Call to Order**

President Strakeljahn called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the Pledge, Commissioner Strakeljahn delivered a statement announcing his candidacy for re-election to the Port of Bremerton Board of Commissioners.

**Approval of Agenda**

**It was moved by ANDERSON, seconded by BOZEMAN to:**

Approve the Agenda as presented.

**MOTION CARRIES, 3-0**

**Consent Items**

- A. Minutes of the regular business meeting of March 14, 2023.
- B. Payment of checks #901740 and #901742 through #901745 and #901746 and #84691 and #84692 through #84711 and #E01369 through #E01377 and #901747 through #901750 from the General Fund for \$734,459.89.  
  
Payment of checks #901752 through #901753 and #901754 through #901755 and #84742 through #84760 and #E01392 through #E01403 and #901756 through #901759 from the General Fund for \$145,421.66.

Payment of checks #E01404 and #E01405 through #E01406 and #901760 and #84761 through #84783 and #E01407 through #E01412 from the General Fund for \$35,548.25.

**It was moved by STRAKELJAHN, seconded by BOZEMAN to:**

Approve the Consent Items as presented.

**MOTION CARRIES, 3-0**

### **Information Items**

1. Fathoms O' Fun Royalty Court – Helene Jensen, Pageant Royalty Program Director

Ms. Jensen presented the newly crowned 2023 Fathoms Royalty Court that will be serving the community over the next year. She asked the young ladies to introduce themselves and provide their platform.

Duchess Miah Strombach – Inclusiveness in the System  
Princess Savannah Horsely – Jeeping – Leave No Trace  
Junior Princess Hope Halady – All God's Love

Sharron King, Fathoms O' Fun Chair, expressed appreciation for the Port's continued financial support of Fathoms activities and provided detail on the many 2023 Fathoms events. The calendar of events can be found at [www.fathomsofun.org](http://www.fathomsofun.org).

The Board expressed their appreciation for all that Ms. King and Ms. Jensen do for the community and that the Port is happy to support Fathoms.

Ms. King noted that Queen Veronica Mihai was unable to attend tonight as she is traveling with her family to Georgia to be contestants on the game show Family Feud.

**Citizen Comments - None**

### **Action Items**

1. Office and Hangar Lease Agreements with Gold Cap, LLC dba Olde Thyme Aviation  
*Presented by Arne Bakker, Chief Operations Officer*

Following presentation and discussion;

**It was moved by ANDERSON, seconded by STRAKELJAHN to:**

Approve the Multipurpose Facility Office Lease Agreement between Gold Cap, LLC and Port of Bremerton as presented

**MOTION CARRIES, 3-0**

**It was moved by ANDERSON, seconded by BOZEMAN to:**

Approve the Multipurpose Facility Hangar Lease Agreement between Gold Cap, LLC and Port of Bremerton as presented

**MOTION CARRIES, 3-0**

2. Amendment #1 to Lease Agreement with Morris Restaurant Management, LLC  
*Presented by Arne Bakker, Chief Operations Officer*

Following presentation and discussion;

**It was moved by STRAKELJAHN, seconded by ANDERSON to:**

Approve Amendment #1 to the Lease Agreement between Morris Restaurant Management, LLC and the Port of Bremerton.

**MOTION CARRIES, 3-0**

3. Change Order #2 for Mount Jupiter Way Site Development Project  
*Presented by Arne Bakker, Chief Operations Officer*

Following presentation and discussion;

**It was moved by STRAKELJAHN, seconded by ANDERSON to:**

Approve Mount Jupiter Way Site Development Project Change Order #2 for soil removal in Olympic View Industrial Park and authorize the CEO to execute the change order.

**MOTION CARRIES, 3-0**

## **Staff Reports**

*Jim Rothlin, Chief Executive Officer*

- Reported on his trip with Pacific Northwest Waterways Association (PNWA) to Washington DC to advocate for several issues but primarily in support of achieving appropriations for the Port Orchard Marina breakwater replacement. He provided background on PNWA and detailed each day's activities. He also reported on one-on-one meetings set up by the Port's lobbyist, Desimone Consulting Group with our legislators and the Maritime Administration (MARAD), the administrators of the Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) grant. Discussed the potential for a PIPD appropriations through Congressman Kilmer's office. While in DC, our lobbyist was also working the State side and reported on the securing of \$800K in the State Senate proposed budget and \$1M in the State House proposed budget and also, there is potential for grant funding through a shore power budget.
- Congratulated Kristina Hedrick, Accounts Payable Specialist, on reaching her 8th anniversary with the Port.

## **Commission Reports / New Business**

*Commissioner Anderson*

- Commended Marketing & Communications Coordinator, Erica Filler, on her work with the Port's social media stating he is very impressed with her efforts.

*Commissioner Strakeljahn*

- Attended the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) Executive Committee meeting during which the PSRC annual meeting in May was discussed.
- Testified in favor of the State transportation budget in support of the Gorst Coalition and Belfair bypass funding.
- Presented at Port Orchard Rotary with a new and improved PowerPoint.

**Executive Session** - None

**Adjournment**

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Submitted,



Jim Rothlin  
Chief Executive Officer  
April 6, 2023

Approved,



Cary Bozeman  
Commission Secretary  
April 11, 2023