

**MINUTES OF THE PORT OF WALLA WALLA  
COMMISSION MEETING  
Wednesday, February 10, 2010**

The meeting of the Port of Walla Walla was called to order by Commission President Mike Fredrickson at 12:00 p.m. Commissioner Fredrickson conducted a workshop session from 12:00 to 12:50 p.m. at Caravaggios, 45 Terminal Loop Road, Walla Walla, Washington.

Commissioner Fredrickson convened the regular Commission Meeting at 1:00 p.m. at Port of Walla Walla offices, 310 A Street, Walla Walla, Washington.

**In attendance for the meeting were:**

Commissioner Mike Fredrickson  
Commissioner Ron Dunning  
Jim Kuntz, Executive Director  
Paul Gerola, Economic Development Director  
Becky Hulse, Executive Assistant  
Jennifer Skoglund, Airport Manager  
Gary Stewart, Operations & Maintenance Supervisor  
Alex DeMambo, USKH  
Michael Hand, Michael Hand Farms  
Jason & Sarah Beechinor, Beechinor & Son Farms  
Brian Maiden, Farmer  
Commissioner Schneidmiller was excused.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Dunning moved and Commissioner Fredrickson seconded the motion that the minutes of the Port Commission meeting held on Thursday, January 28, 2010 be approved as mailed. Motion unanimously carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Port of Walla Walla**

**1. Gen-X Cleanup**

Commissioners were informed a host of equipment and machinery remains in the Port Owned Gen-X building since the fire on July 4, 2009. Executive Director Kuntz reported the Port's lease agreement with Gen-X requires them to remove all equipment and machinery. The Port may have no choice but to remove the equipment and machinery and bill back said expenses to Gen-X if they fail to comply with the lease agreement.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Walla Walla Regional Airport**

#### **1. Airport Spraying Bids**

Commissioners reviewed the three bids submitted to provide weed spraying and fertilizer application services at the Walla Walla Regional Airport. Commissioner Dunning moved and Commissioner Fredrickson seconded the motion to award the low bid submitted by Smith Brothers. Motion unanimously carried.

#### **2. Olson Farm Proposals**

Commissioners reviewed three prospective farm tenants for the Olson Farm (Michael Hand, Jason & Sarah Beechinor and Brian Maiden). Following the interviews, Commissioner Dunning moved and Commissioner Fredrickson seconded the motion authorizing the Executive Director to proceed with entering into a farm lease agreement with Beechinor & Son Farms. Motion unanimously carried.

## **CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS**

### **A. Leases Entered into by Administrative Staff**

Commissioners reviewed a listing of leases entered into and/or renewed by administrative staff from January 29, 2010 through February 9, 2010.

**B. Report on U.S. Highway 12 Coalition – Washington, DC Visit**

Commissioner Fredrickson and Executive Director Kuntz reported on their recent trip to Washington, DC to meet with the Congressional Delegation. Topics included U.S. Highway 12 four-laning, the Port's proposed enhanced use lease for the Walla Walla VA Center, and the need for a Burbank sewer system.

**C. Car Rental Annual Report**

Airport Manager Jennifer Skoglund reviewed with Commissioners the 2009 car rental report for the airport. Total gross receipts for all car rentals in 2009 were \$669,603 as compared to \$648,316 in 2008.

**D. Department of Labor & Industries Inspection**

Gary Stewart, Operations & Maintenance Supervisor reported the Department of Labor & Industries performed an inspection of airport and port properties on February 11. Stewart reviewed with Commissioners a listing of items the Department of Labor & Industries has asked to be completed. Commissioner Fredrickson asked that a written report be provided to the Commissioners with dates each item was complete.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

**PORT OF WALLA WALLA COMMISSIONERS**

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MICHAEL FREDRICKSON, PRESIDENT

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PAUL H. SCHNEIDMILLER, VICE PRESIDENT

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RONALD W. DUNNING, SECRETARY