The 1,120<sup>th</sup> **MEETING** of the Port District No. 1 of Grant County was held at the Port District office at 101 F Street SW on **Wednesday**, September 8, 2021.

Commissioner Curt Morris called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Present were Commissioner Brian Kuest, Commissioner Pat Connelly, Cassi Calloway, Dahlia De La Rosa, and Chris Ries. Also attending via phone were Gabe Porter, Sonia Padron and Pat Boss.

**MINUTES:** Upon motion by Commissioner Connelly, seconded by Commissioner Kuest the minutes from August 28, 2021, were approved as printed.

## **UPCOMING MEETING DATES:**

Wednesday, September 22, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. ..... Regular Meeting – 101 F St. SW

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** The Commissioners went into Executive Session at 5:25 p.m. for 30 minutes and extended for an additional 30 minutes to discuss the potential litigation. The executive session ended at 6:30 p.m., and the regular meeting was reopened. No action was taken.

**QVBCC:** Commissioner Kuest proposed changing the Quincy Valley Business & Conference Center to Quincy Valley Business & Event Center, but no action was taken.

Event Manager Position: Upon motion by Commissioner Connelly, seconded by Commissioner Morris Connie Kuest and Marlo Pettie were hired at \$23.00 an hour working no more than 20 hours a week starting October 1, 2021. Commissioners agreed Catalina Blancas will be off payroll effective October 1, 2021 due to new hires.

Office Hours: Commissioners tabled this until the next Port meeting.

**COLOCKUM RIDGE GOLF COURSE:** Gabe Porter reported the Green Verification Sweeper was needing repair. Mr. Porter said Toro is scheduled to service the machine.

Commissioner Connelly reported the water will shut off October 20<sup>th</sup>. Gabe Porter said we should be fine on water for the year.

**BISHOP:** Commissioner Connelly reported Kooy's Irrigation located the bottom of the well, the well is 180 feet deep. Commissioner Connelly said Travest Story can now start the testing process.

**INTERMODAL:** Commissioner Morris reported we are waiting for the County to approve the SIP grant for the gravel.

Commissioner Morris said the new lift is still waiting to be shipped.

**AIRPORT:** Commissioner Connelly reported a grant request will be put in for replacing all the lighting at the Airport.

**PROPOSED – INDUSTRIAL PARK 8:** Nothing to report.

HOSPITAL: Commissioner Kuest said the Hospital Board is checking cost with private contractors.

Commissioner Kuest said the Hospital could possibly be out of debt with the county by the end of the year.

**INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER:** Commissioner Kuest said we are still waiting to hear back from the IUG regarding the final transfer agreement.

**EDC:** Commissioner Morris said to be able to apply for an SIP Grant or Loan the project needs to be in either the City or County Comp Plan. The Comp Plans are only amended once a year. Commissioner Connelly asked Chris Ries to investigate if the ruling could be challenged.

**ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON BUSINESS (YEARLY DUES):** Upon motion by Commissioner Kuest, seconded by Commissioner Connelly the AWB 2021 dues in the amount of \$500.00 was approved to be paid.

**WARRANT APPROVAL:** Upon motion by Commissioner Kuest seconded by Commissioner Connelly, the following warrants were approved for payment:

September 3 <sup>rd</sup>	#21207 through #21210 in the amount of	\$ 5,496.74
September 8 <sup>th</sup>	#21211 through #21254 in the amount of	\$ 85,016.77

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

## PORT DISTRICT NO. 1 OF GRANT COUNTY

Curt Morris, President Patric Connelly, Vice President Brian Kuest, Secretary ATTEST BY Recording Secretary: