



PORT OF CHELAN COUNTY
Board of Commissioners
Special Meeting Minutes
285 Technology Center Way, Wenatchee, WA 98801
June 13, 2017
9:00 am

Present: Donn Etherington, President
Rory Turner, Vice President
JC Baldwin, Secretary
Pat Jones, Executive Director
Cami Harris, Administrative Assistant

Others: Frank Kuntz, Wenatchee Mayor
Mike Cooney, Chelan Mayor
Ray Schmitten, Orchardist
Jeff Gomes, Cashmere Mayor
Mike Steele, State Representative

Commissioner Donn Etherington called the Port of Chelan County Special Meeting to order at 9:12 am.

The purpose of the Special Meeting was a workshop for Commissioners to hear from Chelan County Elected Officials and community leaders about important issues in their communities, and to discuss the Port of Chelan County Strategic and Comprehensive Plan.

Executive Director Patrick Jones welcomed visitors, and the Commissioners were provided updates and information from the following individuals:

- Wenatchee Mayor Frank Kuntz
- Cashmere Mayor Jeff Gomes
- Ray Schmitten, Orchardist and Cashmere Economic Development Committee Member
- Chelan Mayor Mike Cooney
- State Representative and Chelan Chamber Director Mike Steele

Discussions ensued with no actions taken. Officials and community leaders were thanked for their time and participation.

Air Service Investment Program – Jones provided updates on the status of the Air Service Investment Program noting the efforts are winding down and a celebration event thanking supporters will take place after the grant is awarded. Discussion ensued with no actions taken.

Business Development Strategies – Jones asked Commissioners for feedback on which areas of business or “clusters” should be a priority when developing and updating Port Strategic and Comprehensive Plan, and Area Development Organization (ADO). Jones and Craig Larsen recently met and created a list of “clusters” including:

- Manufacturing
- Outdoor Recreation
- Internet
- E. Commuters
- Ag. Value Added
- Natural Resources
- Wildfire
- Aviation
- Education
- Healthcare

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Commissioners provided feedback on the list and further defined what they believe the Port's role and focus should be in recruiting businesses for Economic Development in Chelan County. Discussions ensued with no actions taken.


Commissioner Etherington adjourned the meeting at 2:07 pm.

Signed and dated this 22nd day of June, 2017.

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

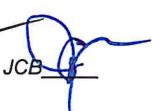
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