



**PORT OF CHELAN COUNTY**  
**Board of Commissioners**  
***Special Public Meeting Minutes***  
**Wenatchee Convention Center, 121 N. Wenatchee Ave., Wenatchee, WA**  
**May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**7:30 am**

**Present:** Rory Turner, President  
JC Baldwin, Vice President  
Donn Etherington, Secretary  
Patrick Jones, Executive Director  
Jim Kuntz, Deputy Director  
Monica Lough, Director of Finance & Admin.  
Laura Jaecks, CTC  
Trent Moyers, Pangborn Airport  
Cami Harris, Administrative Assistant

The purpose of the Special Public Meeting was a breakfast for Partners in Economic Development, which included Chelan County businesses and organizations, civic leaders and community members. Approximately 100 people were in attendance.

Commissioner Baldwin welcomed guests and provided an overview of the purpose of the breakfast and encouraged feedback from participants.

Commissioner Baldwin introduced and welcomed Keynote Speaker, Matthew Gardner, Windermere Real Estate Chief Economist.

Mr. Gardner provided a national, state, and local economic forecast presentation. Highlights included his outlook on:

- Jobs/Unemployment/Income
- Housing/Construction
- Population Growth
- Economy

A copy of Mr. Gardner's slideshow presentation can be found on our website at [www.portofchelancounty.com/what-s-new/latest-news](http://www.portofchelancounty.com/what-s-new/latest-news).

Commissioner Baldwin thanked Mr. Gardner for his time, and then introduced Port of Chelan County Executive Director, Patrick Jones.

Jones provided updates and information including:

- Port lines of business including business retention, expansion and recruitment.
- Jones introduced and welcomed Brian Beaumont and Arthur Van Dyke from Subsplash. Subsplash is a technology company expanding to Wenatchee and recently entered into a lease at the new Port Incubator Space in Pybus Market.
- San Francisco Bay area Service – waiting on WSDOT Grant announcement.
- Cashmere Mill District Development:
  - Louws Truss building construction continues South of Mill Road and when complete, they will be operating their Truss business with two shifts a day.
  - The Port will begin construction of one or two buildings North of Mill road this year.
- Chelan County continues to be behind in per capita income vs. state and national numbers.

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Jones thanked everyone for attending the Partner Breakfast and introduced several members of the audience including community leaders, and local and state officials.

Signed and dated this 19<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018.

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