



# CITY OF BETHEL

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## PORT COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

May 17, 1993

### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman DeSousa called the regular Port Commission meeting of May 17, 1993, to order at 7:36 PM.

### ROLL CALL

Present: Allen DeSousa, John Hawkins, Grant Fairbanks, Buster Richardson, Allen Wintersteen  
Unexcused; Manny Konig

Stuart Greydanus; Port Director, William Hunter; City Manager, Bonnie Kowchee; Administrative Assistant

### APPROVAL/MINUTES

M/M by Wintersteen, 2nd by Hawkins to approve the minutes of the April 19th, 1993, regular meetings as presented. Voice vote. Motion carried unanimously.

### APPROVAL/AGENDA

M/M by Wintersteen, 2nd by Richardson to approval the agenda. Discussion by Fairbanks the City Manager to be heard under, "People to be heard," when and If he shows up. Greydanus commented that Hunter would be here to listen and observe the meeting. Question has been called for; voice vote. Motion carried unanimously.

### PORT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Port Director report submitted to commission in writing.

The Port Commission had questions in regards to the Small Boat Harbor and the other Port Facilities.

M/M by Hawkins, 2nd by Richardson to accept Port Director's report. Voice Vote. Motion carried unanimously.

### COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Wintersteen commented on Crows Lot 4 which was

tabled at the last council meeting due to more research to be compiled. He commented on City Ordinance 93-10 Seawall; a bid was given but it was too low, it was not passed. He stated the Sale of the Captain Atkins was accepted.

**COMMENTS OF  
COMMISSIONERS**

Fairbanks suggested a sign be put up in the Brown Slough due to boats going too fast.

Richardson stated there are too many boats by Datu's using the area to launch off without paying. Suggested a sign be put indicating its not a launching area.

M/M Fairbanks for the Greydanus to write a letter to the Captain of the vessel to remove it from the slough within 30 days of Notification. If not he will be billed for the removal of the vessel. 2nd by Wintersteen. Question by Wintersteen for the time line. Voice Vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Richardson stated the City tabled Golden Age's Request and they didn't get the lease. Greydanus stated that they are waiting for the Lot 4 results. His concern was for the barge to be placed properly.

Fairbanks questioned about the ten acres. Greydanus responded it be turned over to the control of the Port for development and the study will be completed by June 30th. It will be an economic development for the City.

DeSousa stated he was concerned about the safety of the public since they are smelting that the life rings be installed.

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

Chairman DeSousa stated; the only outstanding committee we have at the present time is the take over of the dock from the State. Nancy made a point that the Operation of the Dock would not change, it would be an asset to the City. We need to prioritize our needs on a scale 1-10 regarding the Port and make a descision If we want to pursue to recommend to the Council to negotiate with the State or not. Wintersteen questioned Greydanus If he can get a copy of the Regulations which were put together in 1973? (Dock take over) Wintersteens concern was for the Regulations to be read. DeSousa stated they will be revised.

**PEOPLE TO BE HEARD** There were no people to be heard.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Item A:**

**ELECTION OF REPLACEMENT OF VICE-CHAIR**

Chairman DeSousa stated Mr. Nerby was no longer with the Port. He opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chair. Greydanus said there are two individuals interested and will be submitting letters to the Mayor, who will appoint and Council will confirm. Hawkins nominated Richardson for Vice-Chairman. Fairbanks nominated Hawkins but Hawkins declined. M/M by Fairbanks for Richardson to be Vice-Chairman, 2nd by Wintersteen. No discussion. Voice vote. Motion carried unanimously. Richardson was voted New Vice-Chairman.

**Item B:**

**RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE CITY OF BETHEL**

Chairman DeSousa turned it over to Greydanus and he stated he went to the Hazmat Training Course paid by Crowley Maritime. It is required by law to have a Risk Management Plan in place. M/M by Hawkins to appoint a Chairman who will develop a committee to work on the Risk Management Plan for the City which will report each month. 2nd by Richardson. Discussion; Fairbanks suggested a consultant be hired for the R.M.P. Voice Vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman DeSousa, Hawkins, and Richardson volunteered for the Committee and will meet with the City Manager in the future.

**Item C:**

**BLOCKED ACCESS TO SEAWALL**

Chairman DeSousa stated the access to the seawall is blocked by BNC. M/M Fairbanks for the Port Director to draft up a letter to BNC requesting that they provide keys to the Fire, Police and Port Director in case of an emergency so we can get access immediately. 2nd by Wintersteen. Discussion; Chairman added the Public Works be added. Voice Vote. Motion carried unanimously.

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**NONE**

M/M by Wintersteen to adjourn, 2nd by Richardson. Voice vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

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*Chairman Port Commission 6/25/93*