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# City of Bethel, Alaska

## Port Commission Minutes

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Date 09/17/07

Regular Meeting

City Council Chambers

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### CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Port Commission was held on 09/17/07 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Allen DeSousa called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Commission did have a quorum, the following members were present:

Allen DeSousa  
Clair Grifka  
Alan Murphy  
Greg Roczicka  
Mary Kenick  
Harry Faulkner, Jr.

Also in attendance were the following:

Peter Williams

Absent: Brandon Leary  
Lee Foley

### PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

None

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES of the August 20, 2007 regular meeting

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Clair Grifka	Approval of the August 20, 2007 minutes
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Alan Murphy	
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	Passed unanimously	

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Clair Grifka	To approve the agenda, as amended
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Mary Kenick	
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	Passed unanimously	

### PORT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The commission members each had a copy of the written port director's report in front of them. Alan Murphy asked for an update on the rock at the slough. Peter replied that Dale Construction is going to remove the rock in 6 weeks time.

**CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS**

Brandon not present.

**COUNCIL REP'S COMMENTS**

Mary apologized for not attending last month's meeting. She also commented that there haven't been any actions or notes from the Port in the council packets for awhile. She explained that there is a procedure that needs to be followed for council to take any actions on recommendations made, and this could potentially pose a problem. She said it was important that the port commission starts getting these notes into the council packets so that the rest of the council is aware of what's happening with the commission.

Allen DeSousa mentioned that there are actual motion sheets that can be filled out.

**COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS**

Greg Roczicka also apologized for missing the last month's meeting.

Harry Faulkner Jr., asked about the windsock for the float plane designated parking area. Peter replied that he still needs to get some dirt down there because it's all swamped out. Harry asked about just placing the sock on the pole. Peter said if he can get up there, he will. Harry asked Peter to look into that. Harry also questioned why the Harbormaster was dealing with Bristol Environmental when the port director should be dealing with the Corps directly. Peter said that Lee has been dealing directly with Andrea at the Corps. Peter also clarified that he has not been making the phone calls himself, but that Lee has been making all of the phone calls.

Clair said he noticed the road was closed behind the bus barn. Peter said it's not a good place to be driving. Allen DeSousa commented that the road was supposed to be a maintenance road, not a thoroughfare. Clair also said he noticed that QAP was all cleaned up over there. Peter replied that they were all cleaned up, but that they haven't resurfaced beach two area where the asphalt tanks are. Peter said they should be working on that in the next couple of days.

Alan Murphy said he went around and counted all of the boats on the beach down at the small boat harbor. He said he didn't get commuters, they were already gone. He said he counted over 130 boats parked on the bank in the boat harbor. He also noted that there were a lot of boats being parked in the harbor and the Port only receives \$20.00.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A) Restoration of Good Will**

Mary made a motion to table this item until the next port commission meeting because Lee was not present.

**Motion to Table Restoration of Good Will Until the Next Meeting**

<b>MOVED BY:</b>	Mary Kenick	To table restoration of good will until the next port commission meeting
<b>SECONDED BY:</b>	Alan Murphy	
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	Passed unanimously	

**DISCUSSION**

Allen DeSousa said there were a couple of things he wanted to discuss with regard to last month's meeting. He addressed the proper procedures when it comes time for "people to be heard" on the agenda, specifically addressing the issue toward Harry and Brandon. Allen said the people in the audience should always be heard first. Then if there were any comments that either of them wanted to make, they could do so at that time. He also said that as soon as Brandon took himself out of the quorum, there was no quorum. Allen stated that he doesn't want someone to be able to come back later and say that there was a "conflict of interest" on Brandon or Harry's part.

The other issue Allen DeSousa had was concerning the chastising of Lee in public. He said this was unfavorable. They are all part of the port commission, and any one of them can take Lee aside and talk to him about it. Allen also mentioned that the port commission needs to keep this type of situation off the record. He then commented that Lee is also still learning and that it was probably an uncomfortable situation for him as well.

Alan Murphy said he agreed with Mary that the port commission needed to try and get something to the city council so that they know what's going on with the Port. Alan also suggested a financial report would be nice to look at to see where the port stands about mid year, he suggested possibly at the November meeting.

Allen DeSousa mentioned the lack of minutes posted on the website.

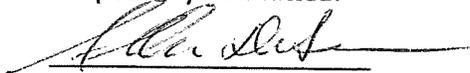
Peter said at the end of Alder street that street public works has created a public access.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: October 15, 2007

Respectfully Submitted:



Brandon Leary, Chairman

Allen DeSousa

APPROVED THIS 15<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 2007.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_