

**PORT OF LOPEZ
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING**

March 13th, 2025, at 5:00

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER 5:05 PM 3/13/2025 Start Recording: 5:07pm

All three commissioners in attendance, with Commissioner Adams arriving late (5:20pm). One member of the public also attending via Zoom.

Public Comment

No public comment during this period

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. DOWL update: Beacon angle was adjusted on the morning of Thursday, March 13th, to 10 degrees from the current 5 degrees, to address community complaints about the obtrusiveness of the new beacon LED lights. AWOS project completion is still waiting for FCC to confirm the frequency. Once the FCC signs off, installation of the AWOS unit should take 3-4 days of on-site work. Retired FAA representative Karen Miles' official replacement is Thomas Richards, who is already in place and familiar with Lopez airport from a previous visit last year. Finally, Wes and Megan of DOWL will assist the Port with the WSDOT FAA grant use survey, as they have necessary vendor/subcontractor information.
2. Pump-out boat: Boat operator from last year will return to run the pump-out boat service again this year. Season will likely run from June to the end of September.
3. Cell Tower: T-Mobile will have a crane on-site to service/install equipment on the tower mid-April, exact date still TBD.
4. Stidham/Nickel Bros home move: Initial conversations suggest that a likely path would involve entry through the North gate, via the Channel Rd. improved

accessway, and exit through the South gate. Next step will be a visit by Nickel Brothers and the homeowner to evaluate options. Move to most likely take place in 2026.

REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Approval of Minutes from Feb 13th, 2025

Motion, SA. Second, KA. Vote, Unanimously Approved.

B. Approval of Vouchers, Payroll and Financial Report (See Helen's report)

Motion, KA. Second, SA. Vote, Unanimously Approved.

Commissioners would like to remove several confusing computational columns from the visible report.

C. Review of Correspondence

No new correspondence to review at this time

D. Manager's Report

Manager reports that SSB5370, allowing for six-year term limits for Port Boards with three commissioners, has passed the State Senate and will now move to the House. If passed, the Port will need to submit any term-limit adjustment proposal to the County for voter approval.

E. Commissioner's Reports

Henriksen, nothing new to report

Aufderhar, nothing new to report

Adams, nothing new to report

F. Commissioners Additions to the Agenda: Updating Port Project List

Motion, KA. Second, SA. Vote, Unanimously Approved.

The commissioners and manager worked together to update and prioritize the list of Port maintenance, repair, and improvement tasks.

NEW BUSINESS

1. New Hangar and Ramp Rules (adopt 2/13/2025 send to tenants confirm 3/13/2025)

Motion, SA . Second, KA . Vote, Unanimously Approved .


Public Comment

One member of the public asked how and to whom to report occupied boats in harbor moorage that are not using pump-out services. Commissioners recommended that Washington State DNR would be the most appropriate.

ADJOURNMENT 6:36 PM Next meeting April 10th, 2025




~~Rick Hoffman~~ Manager
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Commissioner
Kenn Aufderhar



Chairman
Steve Adams



Commissioner
Paul Henriksen