

**PORT OF BREMERTON**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**

**MINUTES**

April 8, 2025  
10:00 AM

Bill Mahan Conference Room  
Port Administration Offices  
Bremerton Nat'l Airport Terminal Bldg  
8850 SW State Hwy 3, Bremerton  
Remote Option via Zoom

**Commissioners and Staff Present**

Commissioners

Gary Anderson  
Cary Bozeman  
Axel Strakeljahn - Remote

Staff Members

Jim Rothlin	Cole Barnes
Arne Bakker	Ginger Wayne
Aaron Schielke	Stephanie Frame
James Weaver	Anne Montgomery, Atty
James Goodman	

**Call to Order**

President Anderson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Agenda**

**It was moved by BOZEMAN, seconded by ANDERSON to:**

Approve the Agenda as presented.

**MOTION CARRIES, 2-0**

**Consent Items**

- A. Minutes of the regular business meeting and executive session of March 25, 2025.
- B. Payment of checks #902746 and #86699 through #86703 and #E02597 through #E02599 and #902747 through #902750 and #902751 through #902754 and #902755 through #902757 and #86704 through #86718 and #E02600 through #E02609 and #902758 through #902761 and #902762 from the General Fund for \$135,911.39. VOID Checks #86638 and 86685.
- C. Resolution No. 2025-03 declaring structures at 521 and 525 Bay Street and all its contents surplus and authorizing disposal in the Port's best interest.

**It was moved by BOZEMAN, seconded by STRAKELJAHN to:**

Approve the Consent Items as presented.

**MOTION CARRIES, 2-0**

*Commissioner Strakeljahn joined the meeting via Zoom*

## **Information Items**

1. Fathoms O' Fun Royalty Court – Helene Jensen, Royalty Director

Ms. Jensen provided details on some of the many 2024 Fathoms events and stated the calendar of events can be found at [www.fathomsofun.org](http://www.fathomsofun.org). She encouraged everyone to consider volunteering as a Fathoms board member and responded to questions and comments from the Commissioners.

Ms. Jensen presented two of the newly crowned 2025 Fathoms Royalty Court that will be serving the community over the next year. She asked the Court to introduce themselves and provide their speech topic/platform.

Queen Miah Strombach – how she volunteers.

Senior Princess Amelia Gillespie – how she volunteers in her church nursery.

## **Citizen Comments - None**

## **Action Items**

1. Final Acceptance of Bay Street Properties Structure Removal Project with Skycorp, Ltd.  
*Presented by James Weaver, Director of Marine Facilities*

Following presentation and after questions/comments were addressed:

**It was moved by BOZEMAN, seconded by STRAKELJAHN to:**

Accept as final the contract with Skycorp Ltd for the demolition of properties 521 and 525 Bay Street in Port Orchard

**MOTION CARRIES, 3-0**

2. Bid Authorization for Fire Suppression System Project at 8390 Barney White Rd.  
*Presented by James Goodman, Director of Facilities & Property Development*

Following presentation and after questions/comments were addressed:

**It was moved by BOZEMAN, seconded by STRAKELJAHN to:**

Authorize Port staff to proceed with the bid call for the installation of a fire suppression system at 8390 SW Barney White Rd, contingent on closing of the building purchase, in accordance with approved contracting guidelines.

**MOTION CARRIES, 3-0**

## **Staff Reports**

*Jim Rothlin, Chief Executive Officer*

- Employee milestones:
  - Jessica Laur recently hired as Port Maintenance I in the airport and industrial facilities department.
  - David Beckley, Port Maintenance I, celebrated his 3-year anniversary with the Port
  - Cole Barnes, Airport Manager, marked his 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary with the Port.
- Mr. Barnes recently participated in a STEM Like Me program at Poulsbo Middle School. The program and its goal were described and there was discussion on the importance of the Port being out in the community.
- Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is looking at postponing the airport's master plan project; however, still intend to provide funding for portions of the Airport Feasibility Study Phase II.
- Initial planning has begun for this year's leadership retreat.
- Reminder that the Washington Public Ports Association Spring Conference is being held in Spokane May 14-16.

## **Commissioner Reports / New Business**

*Commissioner Bozeman*

- Spoke to his concern over the conflict between the Port of Seattle and City of Seattle over a land-use zoning issue related to property adjacent to the Port.

*Commissioner Strakeljahn*

- Reported on the recently attended Gorst Transportation Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Technical Advisory Group Meeting.

*Commissioner Anderson*

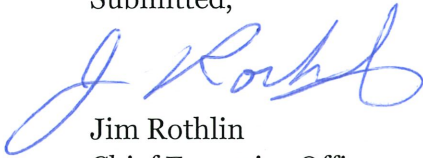
- Attended the Kitsap Economic Development Alliance (KEDA) annual meeting at which the Port was well represented.
- Will ring the bell to open the Port Orchard Farmers Market this Saturday.
- Will be presenting a check and banner to the Western Washington Center for the Arts at their next Board meeting.

**Executive Session - None**

**Adjournment**

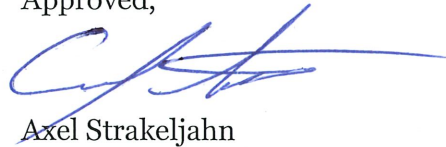
There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

Submitted,



Jim Rothlin  
Chief Executive Officer  
April 17, 2025

Approved,



Axel Strakeljahn  
Commission Secretary  
April 22, 2025