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**Port of Anchorage Commission Meeting**  
**Date: June 19, 2019**  
**Time: 12:00 – 1:45 pm**  
**Location: Port Commission Chambers**

Present	Port Commissioners:	Brad Kroon, Chair; Bob Pawlowski, Vice Chair (teleconf); Stephanie Kesler; Andrew MacLeod; Aves Thompson (teleconf); Ron Ward; Garret Wong
	Staff:	Steve Ribuffo, Port Director; Sharen Walsh, Deputy Port Director; Cheryl Beckham, Director of Finance; Stuart Greydanus, Port Operations Director; Paul Rotkis, Port Safety Coordinator; Diane Bickford, Executive Assistant;
	Guests:	Tom Rueter, ALMAR; Marion Davis, Matson; Lev Yampolsky and Patrick Duffy, PetroStar; Dave Johnson, ABI; Chris Vernon, North Star Terminal; Paul Mehler, Marathon; Dave Karp, Saltchuk; Bert Mattingly, AFSC; D.S. Hogan and George Tipner, Orion Marine; Jeff Bool, Jacobs Engineering
Absent	Port Commissioners:	Moire Duggan; Simon Lisiecki;
	Staff:	Jim Jager, Director of External Affairs;

**I. The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm**

- A. Roll Call of Port Commissioners
- B. Self-introduction by those present

Commissioner Kroon requested a moment of silence for former Commissioner Wilbur O'Brien, who passed away on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

**II. Safety Minute (Paul Rotkis)**

Mr. Rotkis spoke about the Anchorage Fire Department's Fire Wise program and left handouts on the table.

**III. Approval of Agenda**

- A. It was moved to approve the Agenda as submitted by Commissioner Kesler and seconded by Commissioner Ward.
- B. The Agenda was approved unanimously as presented.

**IV. New Business**

**Resolution #19-02:** Mr. Ribuffo explained the Resolution was to support no Port of Alaska Modernization Program-related tariff adjustments that may cause economic harm to Port users or the Alaska economy. Funding to complete work on the planned Petroleum/Cement Terminal will not be raised solely through tariff adjustments.

Mr. Ribuffo requested a permanent change in the order of the Commission Agenda, moving the Port Director's comments and the Public Comments to after New Business.

Commissioner Kesler moved to approve; Commissioner Wong seconded. The request was approved.

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

- A. Commissioner Kesler moved to approve the minutes of March 14, 2019 as presented; seconded by Commissioner Ward. The minutes were approved.
- B. Commissioner Kesler moved to approve the minutes of April 17, 2019 as presented; seconded by Commissioner Ward. The minutes were approved.

**V. Public Comments**

**VI. Port Director's Comments**

**VII. Informational Items**

- A. Deputy Director - Sharen Walsh
  - O&M fender assembly: This project is on schedule
  - Jacketing piles: There were approximately 50 piles planned to be jacketed and there are an additional six due to the earthquake. We will be going under the dock to determine how many more need to be included.
  - Trestles 2&3 are in need of concrete repair. The bid will go out on Monday.
  - GIS – The app is up and running and most of our records are in the database.
  - Matson Terminal 1: There are three piles damaged, one completely broken. R&M Engineering directed an interim decrease in loads from 600 pounds per sq. ft. down to 200 pounds per sq. ft. right now and there will be no parking of heavy equipment in that area though transit for cranes has been OK'd.
- B. Operations – Stuart Greydanus briefed on all the vessel activity planned for the next few weeks. Additionally:
  - The Security Contract bids were opened last week and Denali Universal Services, the current contractor, was the apparent low bidder of the four bids received. The Recommendation of Award was sent to the Assembly yesterday.
  - Dredging: Mr. Greydanus said 140,000 CY has been dredged by Corps of Engineers. There was significant infilling in June.
  - Mr. Greydanus said he was working on the re-write of the Port's Security Plan which is due in 2020.
- C. Finance Director - Cheryl Beckham said the Port's revenue is on track for the year. Everything is running as planned and expenses are in line.
  - Ms. Beckham said the 2018 Port Financial Statements will be done hopefully by the next meeting. She noted Parish Blessing is the contractor for the operating tariff.
- D. Modernization Project Update – Sharen Walsh
  - Petroleum/Cement Terminal: The bids were opened on Monday. Mr. Bool noted the Port received only one bid and it was below the engineers estimate. Commissioner Ward asked if the bid was realistic. Ms. Walsh said they think so. Commissioner Ward asked if there would be an issue that there was only one bidder. Ms. Walsh said it wasn't an issue.
- E. Director of External Affairs – Mr. Ribuffo filled in for Mr. Jager who was out of the office. The Commission was briefed on the Port's ongoing discussions with JBER

regarding a solar farm on Port. If successful, eventually the effort may require an investment partnership with high energy-consumption port users as well.

**VIII. Old Business**

As to the timeliness of documents for Commission meetings, Mr. Ribuffo noted that there is only one secretary at the Port and apologized for the delay in getting information out. The Port has been doing its best to keep up with the higher-than-usual volumes of information requested by outside agencies. We will continue to strive to improve the timeliness.

**IX. New Business**

Discussion on the content of the proposed tariff-related resolution was undertaken by the Commission, to include Q&A with the Port staff. After 30 minutes of discussion, the Resolution was voted on:

Four in favor – Commissioners Ward, Pawlowski, Thompson and Wong.

One no vote – Commissioner Kesler.

One abstention – Commissioner Kroon.

The motion passed.

**X. Commissioners Around the Horn**

**XI. Next Meeting:**

Commissioner Kroon requested discussion on the next meeting date. After discussion, the date for the next meeting was tentatively set for August 14, 2019.

**XII. Meeting Adjourned at 1:45 pm**