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PORT MEETING SCHEDULE

Special Work Session
April 8, 2:30 p.m.
Work Session & Regular Meeting
April 26, 6:00 p.m.
Port Conference Room

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Port & Starboard is available in color on the Port's website.

NOAA MOC-P Homeport Project Update

With the challenges of winter weather, a tight schedule, and the tsunami event, the NOAA Marine Pacific Homeport Project remains on time and on budget. The dredging and pile driving have been completed, and most of the office and warehouse interior finish work is done. The buildings and three main pier berths are on track for Substantial Completion by May 1, 2011, when NOAA will take over occupancy. Project Completion of the entire facility is scheduled for July 1, 2011. Approximately 75% of the \$28.8 million project budget has been spent, and that is in line with earlier projections. The Port is making good progress completing the state and federal requirements of the contract and in-water permit, as well as post-construction monitoring.

An amendment has been made to the contract between the Port and Day CPM Services, and Day CPM will serve as the lease manager for the Port on the NOAA Marine Operations-Pacific facility. Recruitment is underway for a facilities manager. Ideally that person will be on board in time to work with the engineers and contractors in the commissioning process and transition of the facility to NOAA.



Water treatment system on the Pasley

International Terminal Project Update

The water treatment system for the terminal project is fully operational and has been inspected by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). The system will process water extracted from inside the hull of the Pasley. Containment areas have been constructed to receive material from the ship but contaminated material will not be stored on Port property.

The final bond sale for the International Terminal Renovation Project is tentatively scheduled for April 14, 2011. The bonds were given an A+ rating by Standard & Poor's, and the tax rate for the overall bond issue will be 25-cents lower than originally anticipated.

More information on the NOAA MOC-P Project and the International Terminal Renovation Project is available at the port's website www.portofnewport.com under Port Projects.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

04/07-17—Tall Ships Lady Washington and Hawaiian Chieftain, Port Dock 3
04/08—Special Work Session, 2:30 p.m. Port Conference Room
04/13—Fishermen’s Forum
8:30-9:30 a.m., Port Conference Room
04/18—Full Moon
04/24—Easter Sunday
04/26—Regular Port Commission Meeting, 6:00 p.m. Port Conference Room
04/28-05/01—55th Annual Loyalty Day and Sea Fair Festival



The sand pile at the site of NOAA’s new homeport is shrinking. About 11,000 cubic yards have been carried away by contractors, agencies, and private citizens. The sand was excavated from the site’s upland property and is free to anyone who wants to make arrangements to haul it away. Call the Port office at 541-265-7758 for more information.

Report From The Shipping Terminal

Thirty-six vessels used the terminal dock during the month of March. That number is up from 34 vessels during March of 2010.

Six boats from the distant water fleet are back and more are on the way. Some of the Alaska vessels have gone upriver to have work done.

ILWU Local 53 loaded a container for Rogue Ales’ overseas market on March 16, 2011.

Foulweather Trawl is working on shrimp nets and excluders.

J. Iamb Marine Electric is doing work for the Alaska boats.

Eileen and Terry Obteshka and Margaret Harris signed a lease for office space at the terminal for a new business called Seafarers Permits & Brokerage. The term of the lease is one year.



Below decks on the Pasley
1943 steering gear and twin cylinder, vertical reciprocating steam engine

The South Side

Staff at the Port of Newport Marina and RV Park has been taking reservations for the upcoming fishing openers and summer season. The sport halibut spring season opens on May 12, 2011. The number of boats on the waiting list for slips has decreased, now that H-Dock is available. The RV Park is already full for the Fourth of July weekend and July and August are filling up fast, especially with groups.

The South Beach operations crew recently painted the maintenance shop office and built and installed back boards for the north fish tables, in addition to putting out a fire in the Annex dumpster and performing special dock walks to check for tsunami damage. Equipment was moved to higher ground during the tsunami warning and live-aboards were notified of the evacuation. It went smoothly and the maintenance crew has participated in several debriefings since the March 11 event. Harbormaster Chris Urbach and his crew are now providing water and sewer upgrades to the South Beach Marina Fuel Dock.

South Beach Marina Fuel Dock Temporary Closure

The Port of Newport marine fuel facility at South Beach will be closed temporarily for upgrades. The Port's contractor, 4C's Environmental Inc., disconnected the electrical supply to the fuel dock on Monday, April 4, 2011. The fuel dock is scheduled to be up and running by April 23, 2011, if not before.

The upgrades to the South Beach fuel facility by 4C's will include new, double-wall fuel product piping that meets regulatory agency compliance, replacement and installation of four fuel dispensing units, and new electrical circuits and controls to the fueling system. Two units will dispense unleaded marine gasoline, and two units will dispense #2 marine diesel.

Marine diesel only will be available at the fuel dock at the north commercial harbor while the South Beach facility is closed. The Port of Newport thanks its patrons for their patience



Fuel Dock work in progress

The North Side

Although some crab is still coming in, the focus at the north side hoist dock has been on assisting fishing vessels with shrimp, drag, and long line gear. Shrimp season opened on April 1, 2011, but price negotiations are still going on. The north side maintenance crew has been cleaning the lot and recycling wood debris, crab line, oil, and oily water. They have also assisted with work on the Pasley and helped out at the terminal dock. The tsunami evacuation went smoothly on the north side, as well. The operations crew was called in early and loaded all Port vehicles with as much equipment as possible and staged at the top of Fogarty hill. The Port skiff was pulled out of the water and the crew walked the docks to evacuate live-aboards. There was no damage to Port property.

A 50-foot section of the sea lion dock at Port Dock 1 was removed last month after a piling gave way. The wood was rotten and most of the flotation was gone, so the dock was taken apart and discarded.

Port administrative staff is working on preparations for the FY 2012 budget. The first meeting of the Budget Committee is scheduled for May 11, 2011.

Port Manager Don Mann spent a week in Washington DC in early March with the Pacific Northwest Waterways delegation. He met with Senator Ron Wyden, Congressman Kurt Schrader, and members of Senator Jeff Merkley's staff, and went to Silver Spring, Maryland for an appointment with RADM Jonathan Bailey at the NOAA Marine & Aviation Operations Center HQ. Mann also scheduled time with representatives from the Economic Development Administration (EDA) and Maritime Administration Department. Funding for the terminal east pier was the focus of those meetings and there may be an opportunity for a grant through the EDA.

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NOAA Administration Building



Tall Ships Lady Washington and Hawaiian Chieftain
(Photo courtesy of Gray's Harbor Historical Seaport)

Sail into adventure!

The tall ships Lady Washington and Hawaiian Chieftain will sail under the Yaquina Bay Bridge on April 7, 2011. The ships have scheduled Battle Sails, Adventure Sails, tours for the public and educational programs for school groups. The Battle Sails on April 9 and 10, featuring booming cannons and tight maneuvers, are selling out fast.

The Lady Washington is 67 feet long with a mast height of 89 feet. She was launched in 1989 and appeared in the 2003 movie "Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl".

Hawaiian Chieftain is 65 feet long and has a mast height of 75 feet. She was manufactured in 1988. Both ships are based at the Grays Harbor Historical Seaport in Washington state. The ships will be moored at Port Dock 3, along Bay Boulevard, while they are in Newport.

For more information on the ships and their schedules, go to: www.historicalseaport.org