

January 5, 2026
2:36 P.M.
Newport, OR

PORT OF NEWPORT COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

This is not an exact transcript. The video of the session is available on the Port's website.

The Port of Newport Commission met on the above date and time virtually via Microsoft Teams. In attendance were Commissioners Sylvia, Retherford, Dziak, and Ruddiman. Commissioner Lackey was excused. Also in attendance were Executive Director Paula Miranda, Deputy Executive Director Aaron Bretz, Finance Director Mark Brown, and Administrative Assistant Gloria Tucker.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Agreement with Yaquina Law. Sylvia introduced the agenda item. Miranda reported the Port received a summons from FDS Marine International related to a sunken vessel at the commercial marina. She stated they are alleging they provided services that the Port doesn't feel was the case. She noted in order to move forward with this litigation, the Port would like to hire Yaquina Law. She indicated once Yaquina Law is hired, Adam Springer, the first thing to do is move the venue from Multnomah County and then proceed with any findings after that.

MOTION was made by Ruddiman, seconded by Dziak, to authorize the Executive Director to execute the attached Legal Services Contract with Yaquina Law, LLC, as presented. Sylvia, Retherford, Dziak, and Ruddiman voted in favor.

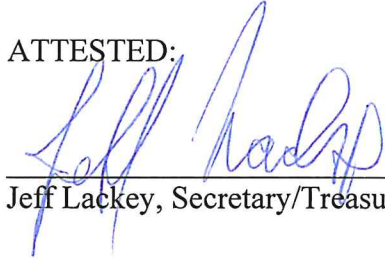
ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:38 p.m.



Gil Sylvia, President

ATTESTED:



Jeff Lackey, Secretary/Treasurer