



DOUGLAS COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD

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Douglas County Industrial Development Board (DCIDB) Meeting Minutes January 15, 2008 Roseburg City Hall Conference Room Roseburg, Oregon

Welcome and Introductions

Lynn Herbert welcomed everyone attending the meeting. Please refer to attachment A for the list of members and guests that attended the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Lynn requested a motion to approve the minutes of the October 16th, 2007 board meeting. Ron Doan moved to approve the minutes. Georgia Stiles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Container Project Presentation

Martin Callery, Director of Communications, Port of Coos Bay, gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Container Project, the approval process underway and the economic benefits to the Port and the region anticipated by Port to IDB. Martin also covered the projects the Port has been involved in and discussed the importance of the Port's decision to acquire and improve industrial lands on the North Spit. The development of the Jordan Cove project and the Container Project has led to the identification of the North Spit as the "Oregon Gateway".

Mr. Callery briefly discussed the railway closure and explained that it would not impact the Container project.

Joe Laurance asked how long it would take to complete dredging once permitting was completed. Martin replied that it was an approximately 2 year dredging cycle.

Helga Conrad asked where the dredging spoils would go. Martin replied that most of the spoils would go to ocean disposal sites or for reinforcement of the spit.

Norm Gershon enquired about competition from the Port of Portland. Martin replied that the Port of Portland handled bulk products and serviced a different level of container ship.

Rochelle Ondracek asked if the railroad would be taken over by the container project people or if someone else was looking at it. Mr. Callery replied that the possible profits generated by rail shipping of the containers meant there were motivators and that Union Pacific has been showing interest in the line.

Lynn Herbert asked Rick Hohnbaum if he had any input on the rail situation. Mr. Hohnbaum replied that the main focus was to support the shippers' coalition and get the rail back up and running.

Bud Schmidt enquired about the increased truck traffic on the highways. Martin replied that traffic would increase, but was not expected to surpass the numbers formerly seen in the logging boom years.

Martin Callery referred the IDB to the Port of Coos Bay website at www.portofcoosbay.com; Current Project; Gateway for an economic analysis, job impacts report to download.

Aldercraft Lease

Kathleen Johnson announced that the Aldercraft Contract had been revised to include 5 one year lease renewal periods as requested and the lease had been signed.

ODOT Easement

Kathleen Johnson announced that ODOT had provided the easement for Leisure craft so the project could move forward.

Nominating Committee Report

Georgia Stiles informed the IDB that the nominating committee, Lynn Herbert, Norm Gershon, and her, had met to review IDB applicants. Georgia made a motion to recommend to the Douglas County Commissioners that Perry Murray be appointed to the IDB vacancy. Ron Doan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

DCIDB 30 Year Anniversary

Georgia requested IDB member input. Ron Doan suggested a meeting with a cake and invitations to the Commissioners and media. Lynn Herbert concurred and recommended inviting past Commissioners. Wayne Luzier suggested the guest list include City Managers. Norm Gershon recommended looking at a no host dinner based on the recommended invitation list. Ron Doan then recommended holding an afternoon meeting that would adjourn into a no host dinner event.

Georgia recruited Norm Gershon and Rochelle Ondracek to help plan the event with a target date of August 30.

Officer Elections

Georgia Stiles, Chair of the Nominating Committee, recommended and moved that Lynn Herbert be appointed DCIDB Chair and Norm Gershon be appointed Vice Chair for the year. Ron Doan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Budget Committee Appointment

Lynn Herbert appointed himself, as IDB Chair, Norm Gershon, as IDB Vice Chair and Rochelle Ondracek to serve on the DCIDB budget committee.

Siskiyou Shippers Group

Lynn Herbert informed the IDB that the Siskiyou Shippers Group had asked DCIDB to participate as a volunteer member of the group to aid in communication flow and support the idea of a railroad in Douglas County,

Helga Conrad recommended that DCIDB join the Siskiyou Shippers Coalition. Georgia Stiles moved the IDB join. Lauren Young seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Reports

Umpqua Economic Development Partnership, UEDP

See attached report.

Donna Train, Port of Umpqua

Donna Train briefly discussed the Port's concerns regarding the Governor's Marine Reserve proposal and the impact on coastal communities reliant on the marine activity. Donna informed the IDB that the Port of Umpqua had issued a Resolution opposing the establishment of Marine Reserves. Donna provided a copy of the resolution to the IDB (see attached).

Ron Doan asked if the IDB wanted to go on record as opposing the marine reserves.

Georgia Stiles made a motion to issue an IDB Resolution Opposing the Establishment of Marine Reserves. Ron Doan seconded the motion. The motion passed by majority with six ayes and one abstention, Norm Gershon.

Donna Train informed the IDB that the Port Commissioners had worked with Oregon Power Technologies regarding the wave energy project. Donna informed the Board that commercial fishermen had brought concerns regarding the location of the buoys for the project as they interfere with fishing and crabbing. The Port Commission has issued a letter to OPT regarding the effect of the sighting on the local economy.

Lynn requested that Donna keep the IDB informed of developments regarding the OPT project.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas County Industrial Development Board

Tania Korpi,
Staff

Lynn Herbert, Chair

A Tape Of The Meeting Is Available At The CCD Office.

Attachment A

The following is the list of DCIDB members who attended the meeting:

Lynn Herbert, Norm Gershon, Lauren Young, Ron Doan, Georgia Stiles, Tommy Ursry, Rochelle Ondracek, Donna Train and Commissioner Joe Laurance.

Staff:

Wayne Luzier, CCD Business Development Corp; Tania Korpi, CCD Business Development; Tracy Loomis, CCD Business Development; Tina Roy, Commissioner Assistant; Helga Conrad, UEDP. Kathleen Johnson, county counsel.

Guests:

Martin Callery, Port of Coos Bay; Bud Schmidt, City of Sutherlin; Fred Alley, City of Roseburg; Monte Mendenhall, Pacific Power; Rick Hohnbaum, City of Reedsport