

July 17th, 2025, Minutes
Port of Alsea Regular Board of Commissioners Meeting
365 Port Street, Waldport OR 97394

1. CALL TO ORDER

- Board Chair Jan Power called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.
- Commissioners Present: Vice-Chair Joe Rohleder, Secretary/Treasurer Buster Pankey, Commissioner George Gray, and Interim Commissioner Rob Bishop. Roll call confirmed a quorum was present.
- Management and Staff: Dean O’Byrne, Port Manager
- Members of Public and Media: Roxie Cuellar, Sue Woodriff

2. MANAGER'S REPORT (DEAN O’BYRNE)

- County Council Resolutions: Follow-up email sent, no response yet.
- Pothole repairs: Estimate expected late August from City of Waldport’s Road crew.
- Ice Cream Freezer: Free freezer to be installed at Dock of the Bay; using Frozen Gourmet (DSD) for supply.
- EV Charging Stations: Research on DC fast chargers; identified revenue potential (\$1,200–\$1,500/month); exploring grant funding and transformer constraints with Central Lincoln.
- Crab Guide Licensing Concerns: Suspicions of unlicensed crab guides; board input requested.
- Complimentary Annual Launch Pass Proposal: Suggested for commissioners in recognition of service.
- Beverage Company Signage: Big Foot Beverages producing window signs for Dock of the Bay.
- Robby’s Crab Shack: Installed electric crab hoist to reduce physical strain.
- Moorage Reservations: 14 reservations in August so far, on track to match last year's 19.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Sue Woodruff (City Councilor) discussed document sharing process.

4. OLD BUSINESS

- Debris Boom: Awaiting delivery of logs; (estimated cost \$1,000) to be delivered for installation.
- Strategic Business Plan: Contract signed with Roxie Cuellar; discussed capital improvement planning and possible work session to consolidate board input.

- Mural Maintenance: Port-owned mural on Hwy 101 needs repair; potential coordination with artist Casey McKinney; discuss relocation or protective coating.
- Passive Income Opportunities: EV charging, vending machines, YouTube content under consideration.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- Capital Improvement Plan: Discussed assessment of Port's contribution to economic development; plan to conduct site walk-through and work session.
- Dredge Site Planning: Discussion on feasibility, ownership, and regulatory requirements; possible priority project.
- Maintenance Directive: All rental boats to be rinsed with fresh water after use to prevent corrosion; to be made a formal requirement.

6. ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 2026 Water Use Permits: New state law will require fees for most boats and floating devices; potential impact on Port rentals.
- Kayak Launch Orientation: Idea to reorient for easier launching; to be considered in work session.

7. ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned following motion by Joe Rohleder, and seconded by Rob Bishop at 3:12pm

ATTESTED TO:

Jan Power, Board Chair Date

Buster Pankey, Secretary/Treasurer Date