

PORT OF PORT ORFORD PORT COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

Minutes

FOR THE REGULAR MEETING TO BE HELD ON
TUESDAY, December 9, 2025 @ 6:00 PM

OSU Port Orford Field Station, 444 Jackson St., Port Orford & Via Teleconference (Google Meet):

1. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 6:06 PM.

a. Roll Call

Commissioners present:

Aaron Ashdown, President
Brett Webb, Commissioner
Pat Cox, Secretary/Treasurer
Scott Mecum, Commissioner

Commissioners absent:

Clark Kocurek, Commissioner

b. Declaration of potential conflicts of interest - none

2. Approval of Agenda

- a. Commissioner **Webb** moved to approve the agenda with the addition of item 7c to discuss meeting location, and Commissioner **Mecum** seconded. Vote passed unanimously.

3. Public Comment

- a. Nick Bordelon (F/V Laci Belle) expressed concern over the delay in obtaining a new ice house and the importance of getting one before the summer.

4. Oral Reports

- a. Manager's Report – Catherine Scobby, Port Administrator
- i. Port Administrator Scobby provided updates on ongoing operations and major projects. She reported that the new cranes are fully operational and improving safety and efficiency on the dock. The Port is also advancing financial planning efforts through its contract with Business Oregon, and continuing work on the Supplemental Seawater System.
- b. Revitalization Report – Tom Calvanese, Revitalization Committee Chair
- i. Committee Chair Calvanese provided updates, highlighting community engagement, outreach efforts, and planning initiatives to strengthen the Port's long-term economic vitality. He discussed ongoing coordination to promote waterfront development opportunities, improve visibility of Port activities, and support local businesses. All projects the committee is focusing on are still moving forward as planned, and the Port is still awaiting an award announcement for the MARAD proposal.
- c. Invited Guest - Kyle Motley, Elakha Alliance
- i. Kyle Motley from the Elakha Alliance presented on the organization's mission, current research, collaboration efforts, and updates to the models used to determine viability. He expressed interest in continuing collaboration with the Port and Port Orford fishermen and his desire to keep open communication about reintroduction plans.

5. Consent Agenda/Routine Business

- a. Acceptance of Financial Reports for November 2025
- b. Acceptance of Minutes for the Regular Meeting held on November 18, 2025
- c. Acceptance of Minutes for the Special Meeting held on November 24, 2025
 - i. Commissioner **Webb** moved to approve the consent agenda, and was seconded by Commissioner **Cox**. Vote passed unanimously.

6. Unfinished Business - none

7. Action or Discussion Items/New Business (Action May Occur)

- a. Dock Road Slope Stabilization Committee Recommendation
 - i. Committee Report and Recommendations
 - ii. Contract Award
 - iii. Commissioner **Webb** moved to accept the committee's recommendation, award the contract to Fugro, and dissolve the Dock Road Slope Stabilization Committee. Commissioner **Cox** seconded the motion, and vote passed unanimously.
- b. Seawater System RFP Committee Recommendations
 - i. Committee Report and Recommendations
 - ii. Commission Action
 - iii. Commissioner **Webb** moved to direct staff to pursue the committee's recommendation, and was seconded by Commissioner **Mecum**. Vote passed unanimously.
- c. Commission Meeting Location
 - i. The Commission discussed updating the meeting location and decided that regular meetings will continue to be held at City Hall, while all other meetings will be held at the OSU Port Orford Field Station—no formal action taken.

8. Commissioner Updates - none

9. Correspondence - none

10. Public Comment

11. Future Agenda Items

- a. Capital Improvement Priorities 2026 and lease renewals.

12. Executive Session - none

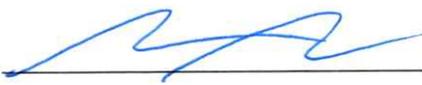
13. Adjournment and Confirmation of Next Regular Meeting – Tuesday, January 20, 2026, at 6 PM. The meeting adjourned at 9:24 PM.

Submitted by

Name: Catherine Scobby

Port Administrator

Date: 01/20/2026

President's Signature: 

Approved by

Name: Aaron Ashdown

Commission President

Date:  1/21/26