

**Port of Shelton  
Regular Commission Meeting Minutes  
April 7, 2009**



**I. Call to order**

**Commission Chairman Miles** called to order the regular meeting of the **Port of Shelton Commission** at **2:00 p.m.** on April 7, 2009 in the **Port of Shelton Commission Chambers**. The following persons were present: Commissioner Byrd, Commissioner Hupp, Terra Dittmer, Office Manager; Al Frey, Maintenance and Environmental Manager; Patti Miller-Crowley, Planning and Development Manager; Debbi Hufana, Finance Manager; Peggy Zamzow, Mark Zamzow, Dave Miskinis, Gene Bresee, Jerry Marshall, Yolanda Del Rosario, Jason Seibert, Tom Casey, Shelton Drag Strip Association; Bobbie Bash, James Dok, Jack Krause, Citizens; Dedrick Allan, KMAS; Jeff Green, Shelton Journal.

**II. Business**

**Consent Calendar:**

**Terra Dittmer, Office Manager**, submitted the:

Regular meeting minutes of March 17, 2009

Special meeting minutes of March 24, 2009

Study session minutes of March 24, 2009

Study session minutes of March 31, 2009

Commissioner Hupp moved to ratify the meeting minutes as submitted, Commissioner Byrd seconded the motion; motion carried.

**Commissioner Miles** addressed the board citing housekeeping items and noted his review of the Commission's meeting minutes from January 8, 2008 and quoted a Commission question to Attorney Houser regarding Robert's Rules of Order. Commissioner Miles stated that those rules of order have not been adopted and that Attorney Houser had advised that few boards adopt the rules but more so use them as a guideline. He stated that the subject has not been addressed since the meeting of January 8, 2008 and that his subsequent research found that the Port Commission does not operate under by-laws, we do, however, adopt policy via resolutions and adhere to the Washington State Laws relating to Port Districts. Commissioner Miles stated that he felt this to be "insufficient and that is why the Commission has a lack of continuity". **Commissioner Miles made the motion** that the Commission adopt the Robert's Rules of Order in its entirety, or offered to entertain "friendly amendment" to hold over the motion and this topic for a study session at which Attorney Houser could advise the Commission, motion died for lack of a second.

**Commissioner Byrd moved** that the Port continues to operate under the RCW relating to Port Districts, motion withdrawn.

**Action: Interagency Agreement Mason Conservation District**, a summary of the agreement was read into record and is attached hereto, Commissioner Hupp moved to ratify as presented, Commissioner Byrd seconded the motion; motion carried.

**Action: Shelton Drag Strip Association/Shelton Drag Strip Proposal Response**, the letter was read into record and is attached hereto, Commissioner Miles opened the item for public comment. Tom Casey expressed disappointment in the Commission's decision and stated that there was no will of them to make it happen.

Commissioner Hupp moved to ratify the letter as presented, Commissioner Byrd seconded the motion; Commissioner Miles voted against the motion, motion carried.

**Action: Commissioner Assignments**, Commissioner Hupp expressed a lack of confidence in Chairman Miles' ability to act in a neutral manner and support the will of the Commission, he asked Chairman Miles to voluntarily resign as Chairman. Commissioner Miles stated no, stating that he has learned from mistakes and that the Commission is not always going to agree and that is not a basis for removing a Commissioner from the Chairman position. Commissioner Byrd stated that agreement is not what we are looking for, he read into record a letter dated April 3, 2009 regarding Commissioner Committee Assignments for the Port's Attorney, Charles Houser, the letter is attached hereto. Commissioner Byrd moved to appoint Commissioner Hupp as Chairman, Commissioner Miles as Treasure and for him to remain as Vice Chairman, Commissioner Hupp seconded the motion; Commissioner Miles opened the item for public comment; Tammy Johnson read a letter of support of Commissioner Miles, attached hereto. Jerry Marshall stated that over the last four or five years Commissioner Miles has supported drag racing and he feels that Commissioner Hupp is not the best candidate for Chairman and that Commissioner Byrd would be the better candidate. Bobbie Bash made statements of support for Commissioner Miles. Nancy Byrd stated that it is not the Commission that is voting down drag racing it is the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Jack Krause stated that the Association of Sanderson Pilot's support drag racing, and iterated that drag racing at Sanderson Field would compromise FAA funding. Commissioner Miles stated that removal of the Chairman is unprecedented. Commissioner Miles voted against the motion, motion carried.

### III. Public Comment

**Bobbie Bash** stated that she felt the Commission is wrong in their decision.

**Dave Miskinis**, a business owner in Shelton, felt that Commissioner Hupp was dishonest when it came to drag racing support.

### VI. Staff Comment

**Al Frey** addressed Commissioner Miles on behalf of selected staff stating that they felt that he was very active and available within their group and that they have great regard for him. He also reported that the results of the underwater would be this week's Commission packets.

**Patti Miller Crowley**, sought out Commission input on the Bremerton Economic Development Study 2020 Project List.

**Terra Dittmer** asked for one of the Commissioners to represent the Port at the WPPA Public Relations Committee meeting.

**IV. Commissioner Comment**

**Commissioner Miles** accepted the Commission's decision but also stated that he did not want to serve as Treasurer, stating that he would only serve as a voting member of the Commission and would continue to work with his constituents addressing the Commission he said "if you want control you can have it all."

**Commissioner Byrd** amended the previous motion and made new motion that Commissioner Hupp serve as Chairman, Commissioner Byrd serve as Treasurer and Vice Chairman, Commissioner Miles seconded the motion; motion carried.

**Commissioner Hupp** stated that his initial inquiry regarding "Robert's Rule of Order" in January, 2008 was as a result of being uniformed, he has since become comfortable with the Commission's procedures. He supports the creation of a more formal set of procedures for the Commission to adhere to. He stated he has never said he does not support drag racing, but moreover does not find it appropriate on runway 3517, He reminded the public that during his campaign he proposed an alternate location parallel to the WSP training facility.

Group discussion on parliamentary procedures.

**V. Adjournment**

At 2:59 p.m. and with no additional business Chairman Hupp adjourned the meeting of the Port of Shelton Commission at 2:59 p.m. in the Port's commission chambers.

Minutes submitted by: Terra Dittmer, Office Manage

Minutes approved by: Chairman Hupp \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes approved by: Commissioner Byrd \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes approved by: Commissioner Miles \_\_\_\_\_