

**PORT OF BENTON
SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
February 3, 2020**

- A. CALL TO ORDER:** The Special Commission Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. at the Port of Benton Commission Meeting Room, 3250 Port of Benton Boulevard, Richland, Washington. Present were Commissioners Jane F. Hagarty, Roy D. Keck and Robert D. Larson. Staff members present included Port Counsel, David Billetdeaux, Executive Director, Diahann Howard, PPM®; Director of Finance, Stuart Dezember, CPA, PPM® and Administrative Assistant, Kelly Thompson.
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** David Billetdeaux led those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.
- David Billetdeaux provided a brief statement saying that an Executive Session would be convened for an initial period of thirty minutes.
- C. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** The regular Commission Meeting was recessed at 9:03 a.m. and an Executive Session was convened pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 to discuss potential litigation. The Commission announced the Executive Session would last thirty (30) minutes. At 9:33 a.m. the Commission announced the Executive Session would last an additional thirty (30) minutes. At 10:03 a.m. the Commission announced the Executive Session would last an additional five (5) minutes. At 10:08 a.m. the Commission Announced the Executive Session would last an additional five (5) minutes. At 10:13 a.m. the Executive Session was adjourned, and the regular Commission Meeting was reconvened.
- D. Commissioner Jane Hagarty advised there was no motion needed and the Commission had directed Port Counsel to continue negotiations regarding potential litigation.**
- E. ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business, the Special Commission meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Roy D. Keck,
Commission Secretary