

**Tri-Commission Meeting
Special Meeting Minutes
Confluence Technology Center and Zoom Virtual Conference
December 13th, 2023 1:00 pm**

Present:

Chelan Douglas Regional Port Authority	Chelan County PUD
JC Baldwin, POCC Commissioner	Randy Smith, Commissioner
Donn Etherington, POCC Commissioner	Steve McKenna, Commissioner
Jim Huffman, PODC Commissioner	Carnan Bergren, Commissioner
Mark Spurgeon, PODC Commissioner	Kelly Allen, Commissioner
Richard DeRock, POCC Commissioner	Gary Arseneault, Commissioner (Zoom)
Jim Kuntz, Chief Executive Officer	Kirk Hudson, General Manager
Sarah Deenik, Communications Coord.	Justin Erickson, Managing Director Dist. Svcs.
	Rebekah Neumann, Clerk of the Board
	Kelli Scott, Government Affairs Program Mgr.

Chelan County
Kevin Overbay, Commissioner
Shon Smith, Commissioner
Tiffany Gehring, Commissioner
Sasha Sleiman, Housing Program Coordinator
Anabel Torres, Clerk of the Board
Jill Fitzsimmons, Public Information Officer
Ron Cridlebaugh, Economic Services Director

Elected Officials
Senator Brad Hawkins, 12th District
Representative Mike Steele, 12th District
Representative Keith Goehner, 12th District
Bob Goedde, Mayor, City of Chelan
Jim Fletcher, Mayor, City of Cashmere
Carl Florea, Mayor, City of Leavenworth
Mike Poirier, Mayor Elect, City of Wenatchee

Guests
Steve Wilkinson, Wenatchee Chamber of Commerce
Malachi Salcido, Salcido Group
Steve Keene, Peshastin Water District
Ruby Gaston, Office of Representative Schrier
Nick Covey, CEO, Link Transit

The Tri Commission Meeting and respective Special Commission Meetings were called to order and/or reconvened at 1:05 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted and roll call was taken. Justin Erickson, Chelan County PUD, facilitated the meeting.

Perspective on the 2024 Legislative Session

Senator Hawkins, Representative Mike Steele, and Representative Keith Goehner each took time to review the upcoming 2024 Legislative Session. The 2024 Legislative Session will be a short session and likely will include modest adjustments to existing legislation.

2024 Tri-Commission Legislative Priorities

The 2024 Tri-Commission Legislative Priorities were reviewed and included permanent funding to the Public Works Board/Trust Fund, Broadband Funding, and Regional Infrastructure Support.

TRI-COMMISSION UPDATES:

- **Chelan County Commission**
 - Wildfire Mitigation: Upper Wenatchee Pilot Project

- **Chelan Douglas Regional Port Authority**
 - Radar Gap Update
 - Chelan Waterline Project
 - Land Availability Discussion

- **Chelan County PUD**
 - Service Center Update
 - Energy EXPO at the Wenatchee Convention Center

CHELAN COUNTY MAYORS UPDATE – Chelan County Mayors/staff provided updates and information.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: No comments were made.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: No comments were made.

The Tri Commission Meeting and respective Special Commission Meetings adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Signed and dated this 9th day of January 2024.


CHELAN DOUGLAS REGIONAL PORT AUTHORITY



Donn Etherington, Director




Richard DeRock, Director



JC Baldwin, Director



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Mark Spurgeon, Director



Jim Huffman, Director