

May 20, 2019

The Lincoln County Port Authority met for a regular session on May 20, 2019, in the Lincoln County Courthouse, Libby, Montana. Present were Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Letcher, Commissioner Peck and Deputy Clerk and Recorder Chris Nelson.

Lincoln County Port Authority
Meeting Agenda
May 20, 2019 1:30 PM
Commissioner Chamber; Libby, MT

1. Approval of Minutes from April 15, 2019
2. Review of Financial Statements for April 2019
3. Update on Isotex Health
4. Review of Private Fleet Storage Activity
5. Relocation of Jasper Enterprises, Inc.
6. Consideration of a Loan Loss Reserve for the Revolving Loan Fund
7. Decision on the Acquisition of Trailer Loader
8. Update: Discussion on Controlled Groundwater Area
9. Update: Libby Creek Bank Restoration, Letter to EPA
10. Review of Infrastructure Projects
 - A) Secondary access and the County's timeline
 - B) Flood plain issues for the cleanup work
11. Old Business

1:30 PM

1. **MOTION** by Commissioner Peck to approve the April 15th, 2019 regular meeting and the public hearing. Second by Ted Werner, motion carried unanimously.
2. Tina said looking at profit and loss, there was a general repair and maintenance of over 43,000 that mostly went to fuel. Brett told him that Commissioner Peck asked if the summary included the tax revenue for the TED district. Tina said it does not but she will include it going forward. **MOTION** by Commissioner Peck to approve financial statement as presented. Second by Ted Werner, motion carried.

10.(b) Mike Frasier met with the board to discuss the options for cleanup on the port property that. He said portions of that are in the flood plain. He looked at it with Brett and said it should be a simple matter. He wants to meet with Jake Mertes to simplify fixing the issue. One of the areas might need some additional enforcement but it should not be difficult. Commissioner Bennett said it could become a maintenance issue in the future, maybe they could cover it in bark or something to avoid weeds, etc.

3. Tina introduced Carson Byers and Eugene Elfrank with Isotex Health. The sale will close in two weeks approx. they will finish getting the hemp planted 13,500 acres planted in Montana. Going forward will be getting transportation for product from farm to Libby to the plant. They will also be fitting the building out and getting it ready for product. They are excited about outfitting the building, probably biggest plants in the country. Much of the equipment will be the most cutting edge. The residual can be made into various other things such as a concrete type material, pellets for pellet stove, and hemp fiber boards. Carson said the community has been very helpful and they are just working on the fine details. Carson said they plan on putting in something like a grain silo when it is unloaded from the train then it could be conveyed into the factory. Commissioner Peck asked if they could grow it in the county. Carson said they would have to have a lot of acres and stated that 100 acres would only supply about 5 minutes of raw product to their machines. As they get further down the road, they plan on having meetings with the public to educate them on CBD and the company. Commissioner Peck asked if they needed anything. Carson said they are doing good but appreciate the offer.

4. Ted asked about what the port gets for storing rail cars on the port property. Brett said that it is \$50 per car to pull it in and \$50 to get each out plus \$1 per day storage. He added that it has been a good venture so far.

5. Brett said they met with Lon and discussed what they could do for water if they moved. They could do Colligan water for drinking and non-potable water for the rest. Commissioner Peck said he will ask for the power requirements and what the footprint of the new building. Brett said he will probably need an area for a breakroom and an office.

7. Peck said the report he's gotten on the trailer loader was just to get it. 22,000 to purchase. **Motion** by Commissioner Bennet to purchase the loader for \$22,000, second by commissioner peck, motion carried.

Due to time constraints the board was not able to get to all agenda items.

Adjourned at 3:00

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Mark Peck, Chairman

ATTEST: _____
Chris Nelson, Deputy Clerk of the Board