

COOS HARBOR SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

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March 23rd, 2021 @1300hrs

1. Meeting called to order
2. Introduction of Attendees
3. No new members to introduce
4. Last minutes – Motion made to accept last meeting’s minutes
5. No new nominations – Board is full
6. Dredging – River mile 12 – 15 was done this year. This year no money in the work plan to do 12-15 but budgeting is in the works for next year. In hopes to get to a 38’ depth.

GMA expecting their next ship call at their facility.

Headquarters for core of engineers - Defazio’s legislation to try to start using Harbor maintenance trust fund for dredging purposes. Talking about a billion dollars to go to ports to help with additional dredging, which would help out a lot of smaller ports like Coos bay and Bandon.

Charleston dredging – Fuel dock dredged out this year as well as Point Adams. Port trying to get a Core to take over Maintenance from where Federal channel ends all the way to the Marina.

Coos River bulk head just below Sause brothers blown out carrying material into turning basin. Turning basin didn’t used to silt in so fast.

7. North Jetty update – Port has 34 million dollars in the work plan for this year to stabilize the head of the Jetties. Will get about to 150 feet to help stop the recession.

Next year estimating 28 million dollars to do some trunk and root work on the Jetty. Hope to have a contract awarded early this summer for planning and obtaining Jetty rock. There won't be any Rock actually placed till likely next Spring. There's a lot of prep work to do before Rock can be placed.

8. Open discussion - Next Ship at Roseburg Shipping Terminal about 70k dead weight. M/V CRYSTAL is the largest that's come into the Port of Coos Bay. Typical Log ship is 38k dead weight for perspective. About a million cubic feet more volume carried than most of the Chip ships that come in port. Scheduled to come in 3 more times after this first voyage to Roseburg shipping terminal.

Port received funding of about 25 million dollars for Bridge projects/repairs. Not expecting projects to interfere with navigation. Also, Rail links and tunnel projects.

El Conquistador- still tied up at Empire boat ramp area. Where the ship is dumping their sewage and bilge was brought up as a concern because they arrived in 2002 and until just recently have not moved. Some members of the board feel that coast guard and DEQ could have done more about this. Some members of the board also feel that rules are not being enforced. Coos bay response won't respond unless they get a mandate from Coast guard or DEQ and if a mandate is ordered, Coos Bay response would like to know who's paying the bill? In Coast guard's defense as well as the State's, until The Conquistador is caught spewing bilge/sewage into the water, they can't take away the owner's property. It was brought up by a board member that demanding sewage pump records should be done.

9. Next meeting estimated June or July. Secretary will keep all informed.

10. Meeting Adjourned