

**MINUTES OF THE PORT OF BELLINGHAM SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING
HELD WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 2018
SILVER REEF HOTEL/CASINO TOWER AB ROOM, 4876 HAXTON WAY,
FERNDALE, WASHINGTON**

Present:

Port Commission:

Ken Bell	President
Bobby Briscoe	Vice President
Michael Shepard	Secretary

Port Representatives:

Rob Fix	Executive Director
Brian Gouran	Environmental Programs Director
Diane McClain	Executive Secretary

Lummi Nation Representatives:

Richard Sullivan, Frank Lavene, Steve Solomon Sr., Kara Kuhlman, Lisa Wilson, Dana Wilson, Leroy Deardorff, Ellie Kinley, Merle Jefferson, Robin K. Wilson Sr.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

On Wednesday, May 30, 2018, the Special joint meeting of the Port Commission and Lummi Nation representatives was called to order in the AB Tower meeting room of the Silver Reef Hotel/ Casino, at approximately 1:30p.m. The meeting was expected to last approximately 3 hours. The purpose of the meeting was to provide an opportunity for two newly elected Port Commissioners to meet everyone as well as an opportunity for an informal discussion between Port and Lummi Nation representatives.

Following introductions by those in attendance, several members of the Lummi Nation shared personal stories of years spent in and around the Bellingham Bay area.

Lummi 101 and Historical Context- Presentation: Merle Jefferson provided an overview of the Lummi Nation: Fishing in Bellingham Bay and other areas along the shoreline, Lummi Reservation, Treaty, Lummi Government and Lummi Natural Resources Department, as well as an outline of past and current nearshore alterations and the impacts.

The group discussed negotiations between the Lummi Nation and the Port and the development of a Framework Agreement and its revisions. Next steps include working to finalize implementation agreement no. 2 and schedule a second meeting between the Port and Lummi Nation representatives to recommend approval, begin drafting implementation agreements 3 (environmental clean-up projects) and 4 (new development projects).

ADJOURN

The Special Commission meeting with the Lummi Nation was adjourned before 4:00 p.m.



Ken Bell, President



Michael Shepard, Secretary

