

# MEETING MINUTES

## STATE OF WASHINGTON BOARD OF PILOTAGE COMMISSIONERS

April 12, 2013

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A Special Meeting/Executive Session was called on April 7, 2013 and convened on April 12, 2013 by Chairman Harry Dudley. Written notice was provided pursuant to RCW 42.30.080 and WAC 363-116-020. An option to attend by telephone conference call was offered, originating in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Vessel Engineering Conference Room, 2901 Third Avenue, Seattle, Washington.

### **SPECIAL MEETING – Open Session**

#### Present:

Chairman: Harry Dudley (in person)

Commissioners: Elsie Hulsizer, Chuck Adams, Ned Kiley, Don Mayer (in person)  
*Grant Stewart, Phil Morrell, Norm Davis (by telephone)*

Administration: Shawna Erickson, Peggy Larson (in person)

Assistant Attorneys General: Tad Robinson O'Neill (in person) and *Guy Bowman (by telephone)*

Public: Jonathan Ward, Walt Tabler, Sheryl Willert, Mike Anthony, Eric Klapperich, Loren Lee,  
Mary Ruth Mann, Mark Rose, Bruce Nelson (in person) and *Craig Lee (by telephone)*

A Special Meeting was convened from 1:00 p.m. to 1:08 p.m. for purposes of hearing input from interested members of the public regarding a mediation proposal made by Captain Katharine Sweeney's attorneys on her behalf as part of the processes resulting from a tort claim brought by Captain Sweeney against the Board and the Puget Sound Pilots. Tad Robinson O'Neill made a brief opening statement related to the purpose for this meeting. No public input was heard. Walt Tabler, on behalf of the Puget Sound Pilots, a joint litigant, requested time with the Board in Executive Session to make comments regarding the proposal. Motion: Mayer/Adams – the Board move into Executive Session with legal counsel to discuss the mediation proposal and with representatives from Puget Sound Pilots to receive their input regarding the proposal – Carried.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION – CLOSED**

#### Present:

Chairman: Harry Dudley (in person)

Commissioners: Elsie Hulsizer, Chuck Adams, Ned Kiley, Don Mayer (in person)  
*Grant Stewart, Phil Morrell, Norm Davis (by telephone)*

Administration: Shawna Erickson, Peggy Larson (in person)

Assistant Attorneys General: Tad Robinson O'Neill (in person) and *Guy Bowman (by telephone)*

Puget Sound Pilots: Jonathan Ward, Walt Tabler, Sheryl Willert (from 1:10 p.m. to 1:40 p.m.)

A closed Executive Session was called from 1:10 p.m. to 2:25 p.m. by Chairman Harry Dudley to have a discussion with the Board's attorneys regarding said mediation proposal and any input received by the Board. Sheryl Willert and Walt Tabler made comments on behalf of the Puget Sound Pilots regarding the proposal. The open public meeting was reconvened by the Chairman immediately following the Executive Session.

### **SPECIAL MEETING (reconvened) – Open Session**

#### Present:

Chairman: Harry Dudley (in person)

Commissioners: Elsie Hulsizer, Chuck Adams, Ned Kiley, Don Mayer (in person)  
*Grant Stewart, Phil Morrell, Norm Davis (by telephone)*

Administration: Shawna Erickson, Peggy Larson (in person)

Assistant Attorneys General: Tad Robinson O'Neill (in person) and *Guy Bowman (by telephone)*

Public: Eric Klapperich, Mark Rose, Bruce Nelson (in person) and *Craig Lee (by telephone)*

The Special Meeting was reconvened in open public session at 2:28 p.m. to discuss and take any appropriate action, at the Board's option, regarding said mediation proposal. Motion: Kiley/Hulsizer – the Board authorize Chairman Dudley in conjunction with the Board's Attorney General Representatives to respond to this mediation proposal – Carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Dudley adjourned the Special Board meeting at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Peggy Larson, Executive Director

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Harry H. Dudley, Chairman

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Norman W. Davis, Acting Vice Chairman

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Commissioner Elsie J. Hulsizer

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Commissioner Charles F. Adams

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Commissioner Edmund I. Kiley

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**VACANT**  
Pilot Member

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Commissioner Donald W. Mayer

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Commissioner Philip Morrell

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Commissioner J. Grant Stewart