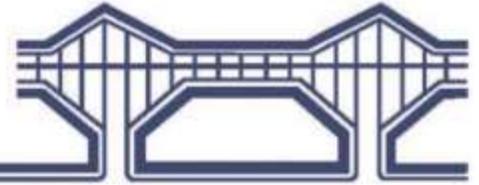


Port Report



New Faces Around the Port

This fall the Port Commission accepted a letter of interest from Dean Bump to fill the commission vacancy left by Dave Lipp's resignation. A 65-year resident of Cascade Locks, Dean brings career experience working maintenance for the Port of Portland, ODOT, and small business ownership. He hopes to continue the positive momentum of the Port.

The Port welcomed new staff this season, including Colette Bondurant, Port Office Assistant. Congratulations and farewell to Jean Pearson, retiring from her Lead Toll Taker position after 18 years with the Port. Farewell to Mayah Frank, two years as the Recreation Coordinator. Thanks also to this summer's excellent camp hosts Gretchen and Allen Baker.

Port Buys County Property

In July the Port of Cascade Locks completed a year-long sale agreement with Hood River County for 2.24 acres of vacant property located on Wa Na Pa Street, just east of the new fire hall. The Port has already rezoned the property from Public to Commercial-Residential in preparation to market the vacant land to development that would be compatible with neighboring land uses. The property is well suited for mixed-use development (business and residential). Because the property will share the existing driveway with the fire hall, a transportation study is required prior to any development consideration. At this time, the Port Commission prefers to market the land for lease to the right high-quality development proposal, in order to bring jobs and investment to the local community. For lease: 541-374-2406.



Above: (from left to right) Port Commissioners Vice President Brad Lorang, President Jess Groves, Dean Bump, Secretary-Treasurer Joieanne Caldwell, John Stipan.

Thank You Local Community: Bridge Toll

The Port Commission would like to thank the local communities on both sides of the river for participating in lengthy thoughtful dialogue about how to increase the bridge tolls this past summer. Decisions like this are not easy for elected leaders. The Port Commission feels satisfied that they were able to maintain a \$1.00 toll rate for all Gorge residents, while increasing overall revenue to fund necessary bridge work included in the adopted 10 Year Plan for Maintenance and Preservation of the Bridge of the Gods, estimated to cost \$25 million. Thanks also the toll taker staff who continue to demonstrate patience with sometimes upset bridge users during this transition.

Local resident window cling stickers are still available at no charge for all residents of Hood River, Wasco, Klickitat, and Skamania Counties, plus Dodson and Warrendale. The stickers are only available at the Port Office, 427 Portage Road, in the Cascade Locks Marine Park.

The public should also note that toll coupon books (\$1.00 per crossing) are still available to anyone in \$20 and \$40 increments, sold from both the toll booth and Port office.



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The Renewal Workshop

The Renewal Workshop is a new business leasing 7,500 square feet of the Port's light industrial flex building located on Herman Creek Lane. Owned by Nicole Bassett and Jeff Denby, the business custom repairs slightly flawed clothing from large name brands, to be resold. Apparel that cannot be repaired will be responsibly upcycled, downcycled, or recycled. The company launched a successful online crowd funding campaign via Indiegogo.com over the summer. Ribbon cutting TBD.

Perceptual Testing, Inc.

The Port recently remodeled an old 1,800 square foot shop building located on Herman Creek Lane in order to welcome a new business to town. The new company called Perceptual Testing Inc. is owned by Robin and George Donley, relocating from Southern California. Robin invented a software program called Vision Coach. It is a visual aide light board program catered to visual acuity and physical rehabilitation. Ribbon cutting TBD.

Thunder Island Brewing Co.

The Port Commission continues to work with tenant TIB, while the business wraps up their due diligence, design, and permitting for a brand new building on Port-owned Wa Na Pa Street property. A lease extension in their current Marine Park business incubator space will be contingent upon City Planning Commission approval to extend their conditional use permit to operate there.

Ravenwood Construction Co.

The Port Commission approved a MOU with Ravenwood Construction owned by Willis Boyer, leading to the purchase of an estimated 1.8 acres of vacant property zoned Downtown Commercial, located on Wa Na Pa Street, across from the Eastwind Drive-In. Ravenwood provided the Port a detailed development plan and assurances for investment and job creation.

Jumpin Jax Java

The Port has approved a lease extension for the Jumpin Jax Java drive through coffee shop located on Wa Na Pa Street in Cascade Locks. Owner Jackson Vanderpool has an existing option agreement with the Port for the eventual purchase of the coffee shop property.

LOCAL TRIVIA QUIZ FOR PRIZES

Be one of the first three people to correctly answer this question (spelling counts) by email to: rare@portofcascadelocks.org, and win a gift certificate to a local business!

Adults: Which 2014 movie featured Reese Witherspoon standing on the Bridge of the Gods?

Youth (Under 18): What color is the Oregon Pony?