

Port Report



Port Hosts Community Meeting on Bridge Toll Automation

On Thursday, April 30, 2015 the Port Commission hosted a public meeting in the Pavilion to discuss the Bridge of the Gods Operations & Maintenance Plan, as well as an option to automate the toll collection system. Fewer than a dozen members of the public attended. The meeting was an opportunity to review available information and have questions answered. The Port Commission is weighing the efficiency benefits of toll automation with the cost of investment in technology upgrades. Phasing such upgrades may be an option. The Port has advertised an RFP to companies specializing in tolling technologies, and will continue to explore this option. A decision should be reached by the end of the 2015 calendar year.

Budget Committee's May Schedule

The Port has started the annual budget process. The new budget year will start on July 1st. The Budget Committee is composed of all five Port Commissioners plus five citizen members. At this time two citizen member seats remain vacant. Budget Committee meetings are open to the public: May 5th, May 19th, May 26th (optional) at 6pm in City Hall Council Chambers. A draft budget will be available for public review on 5/11.



Port Welcomes Seasonal New Hires

The Port would like to welcome aboard several new staff members this season - toll taker Courtney Nieto and maintenance workers Ken Sewell and Damon Vlietstra. This summer is going to be busy, and we have a great team to operate the Port smoothly.

Save These Dates: Upcoming Events in Cascade Locks, Oregon

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| 5/1 | Sternwheeler <i>Columbia Gorge</i> opens cruises | 5/1 | CL Historical Museum opens for season |
| 5/2 | Angela Coe Rainy Day Walk & Run | 5/2-3 | Lock Robster Disc Golf Tournament |
| 5/9 | <i>Wild</i> movie screening in the Pavilion | 5/16-17 | Sailing - PSU Invitational |
| 6/13-14 | Run to Thunder Island Motorcycle Ride | 6/20 | CGRA Sailing Opening Day & BBQ |
| 6/23-28 | Sailing - Opti, Laser, USODA NW Champs | 6/26-28 | Sternwheeler Days Festival |
| 7/4 | 4 th of July Fireworks in Marine Park | 7/8-12 | Gem & Mineral Show in Marine Park |



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Public meetings are held at 6 pm on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month in Cascade Locks City Hall Council Chambers.

The mission of the Port of Cascade Locks is to:

- Operate in a fiscally prudent manner to ensure its continuity
- Facilitate effective infrastructure and transportation solutions
- Recruit new businesses to create family wage jobs and economic growth within the Port District and region
- Create economic growth opportunities for existing businesses within the Port District
- Enhance tourism and recreation for the Columbia River Gorge region
- Provide leadership and create partnerships within the region for economic development
- Utilize our natural resources

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New Marine Park Signage Drafted

The Port is working with Rock Cove Design Company out of Stevenson, Washington to design new signage for the Marine Park. The firm recently completed design work on the City of Stevenson's green wayfinding signs posted around town among other projects. The Port's top signage priorities will be to address the buildings, replace the large wayfinding sign at the 4-way intersection under the train trestle, a new entrance sign on Wa Na Pa, and consistent building name labels. The logo to the right is a sample of a draft branding direction to designate our park as a special historic place for diverse public uses. The current budget process will determine the phasing of construction and implementation.



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: Name one of the four Columbia River Treaty Tribes of 1855.

Youth (Under 18): Which railroad company runs trains through Cascade Locks?