

PORT COMMISSION SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING – Monday, June 8, 2026

The Port of Port Townsend Commission and Jefferson County Public Utility District #1 met for a special joint business meeting at the Point Hudson Pavilion Building, 355 Hudson Street, Port Townsend, and also online via Zoom (recording lost).

Present: Port Commissioners Petranek, Carol Hasse and Pete Hanke, Executive Director Eron Berg, Deputy Director Eric Toews, and Port Recorder Joanna Sanders

Jefferson County Public Utility District #1 Commissioners Ken Collins (arrived at 12:40), Jeff Randall and Dan Toepper, and General Manager, Joe Wilson

I. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Petranek called the special meeting to order at 12:35 p.m.

Commissioner Toepper called the special meeting to order at 12:35 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

A quorum of the PUD and Port were in attendance.

III. DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION RE: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES/PROJECTS

Commissioners and staff discussed ideas for creating a shared vision for future economic development and partnering on projects.

The Port sought a better understanding of how the PUD wants to work together in general as well as how the PUD views the Port's projects (in terms of building jobs, incomes, and growing the local economy). Shared were the infrastructure needs to advance Phase I and II of the Industrial Development at and around Jefferson County Industrial Airport and the Timber Cooperative. The request was a PUD contribution to support the JCIA Rural Light Industrial Park for conduit so pads are ready for development supported by state and local funding.

The PUD recognized the PIF Board, ICG, and public sector cabinet are existing opportunities for collaboration formal and informal styles of collaborating depending on the size of the project. Projects for the PUD to expand capacity are in categories of single customer, organic growth opportunities, and asset management/maintaining infrastructure. They want to build the right size system and fund the work with grants without rate increases. The PUD requested a tightened scope of work from the Port to better estimate the project(s).

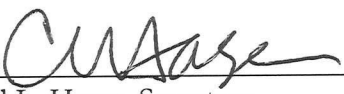
IV. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

EDC Team Jefferson Director David Balliff reemphasized the importance of this type of collaboration and reviewed work on the opportunity zones. A microgrid hydro-electric powerplant in District 3 will release \$1 million in federal grants. The EDC is currently recruiting for an Economic Development Associate and will look for a private sector investment in the light industrial park.

V. ADJOURNMENT

At 2:06 p.m., the meeting adjourned, there being no further business before the Commission.

ATTEST:



Carol L. Hasse, Secretary