

City Manager
Vacant

Project Manager/Acting
Port Director
Joy Baker

Harbormaster
Lucas Stotts



Nome Port Commission
Jim West, Jr., Chairman
Charlie Lean, Vice Chairman
Derek McLarty
Shane Smithhisler
Russell Rowe
Gay Sheffield
Drew McCann

NOME PORT COMMISSION
WORK SESSION & REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2025 at 5:30 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN CITY HALL

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ROLL CALL At 5:30 PM

Members Present: Smithhisler; Lean; West; McCann; Rowe; Sheffield; McLarty

Members Absent:

Also Present: Joy Baker – Project Manager/Port Director

In the Audience:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A Motion to approved agenda was made by Rowe and seconded by Lean.

At the roll call:

Aye: Lean; West; McCann; Rowe; Sheffield; McLarty; Smithhisler

Nay:

The motion **CARRIED**.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. January 16, 2025 Nome Port Commission Meeting Minutes,

A motion to approve the meeting minutes made by McLarty and seconded by Smithhisler.

At the roll call:

Aye: West; McCann; Rowe; Sheffield; McLarty; Smithhisler; Lean

Nay:

The motion **CARRIED**.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

COMMUNICATIONS

- A. 25.01.30 The Arctic Sounder - Quintillion pinpoints site of break near Oliktok Point
- B. 25.02.02 National Snow and Ice Data Center - Sea ice climbs to second lowest January
- C. 25.02.12 NC 2025 CP Testing

- D. 25.02.13 Arctic Today -Fishery managers - tighten salmon bycatch rules in Bering Sea.

HARBORMASTER REPORT

- A. PON Facility Status Update
B. 25.02.14 Public Vessel Calendar

PD Baker gave a brief overview of the HM report including a financial/budget/impound update. Status of impoundments and potential May impound/surplus sale and collections process.

McCann commented that the impound sale should have an online component for listing auctions and collections.

PROJECT MANAGER – ACTING PORT DIRECTOR REPORT

- A. 25.02.14 Port Projects Status Report

PD Baker led a brief group discussion on the Port expansion status, recent meetings and information on potential funding to keep the project moving. There is support for the project from the Federal level, Congress, our delegation, District/Division/Headquarters level at the USACE, as well as support from the armed services.

Cape Nome Jetty repair project went out to bid on 30, Jan 2025. It was awarded to Duwamish Services, LLC for just over \$7mil. Compiling contract documents now and will be going on this summer.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Sheffield – Sent the sea-ice information to the group email. Joy Baker will also be presenting at Strait Science sometime soon.

Smithhisler – Commented that Bering Straits has a lot of rock will be leaving the Cape Nome Quarry headed to Barrow- in excess of 100k tons. Will be a very busy summer at the Port.

Rowe – None.

McLarty – None.

McCann – UAF sea ice radar is back online. Is there any way to have a backup plan to keep this online if Quintillion line gets cut again.

Lean – None.

West – Looking forward to summer. The facility priority list looks doable.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by McLarty for adjournment at 6:10 PM and seconded by Smithhisler

APPROVED and SIGNED THIS 17th DAY OF APRIL, 2025

**JIM WEST JR.
CHAIRMAN**

**LUCAS STOTTS
HARBORMASTER**