

Lincoln County Port Authority
Special Meeting Minutes
April 14th, 2025 @ 3:30 PM
LCPA Conference Room
60 Port Blvd. Top Floor

The special meeting of the Lincoln County Port Authority was called to order at 3:37pm on Monday April 14, 2025.

Those in attendance were board members Jerry Bennett, Kevin Peck, Brent Teske, and Tony Petrusha; executive director Kate Stephens; and DC Orr, community member.

1. Temporary Commercial Space

Jerry explained that due to Brownsfield mitigation, we must be out of our current building by May 1st. He presented a memo from the executive director regarding the spaces available for commercial rent in Libby. The board discussed the pros and cons of each option.

Motion made by Kevin to commit to leasing the property at 216 West 9th Street. Second by Tony. Motion carried.

2. Open for Public Comment

DC Orr expressed his joy at being able to attend this public meeting of the Lincoln County Port Authority. He stated that the lawsuit is something the port had coming, that everything has been too private, and that it is shameful what the port has done. Mr. Orr also commented that millions of dollars have poured through the port and disappeared down a rat hole. He further stated that public/private partnerships are dangerous and that the port is walking a thin line with Mr. Noble and has done so secretly. Mr. Orr expressed further concern about the waterline down Cedar St. that he stated cost the tax payers \$2.5MM that only benefits Mr. Noble and the port authority and that it sounds like fraud, waste, and abuse to him. He finished by stating that he plans to attend as many meetings as he can and that the port should be ashamed of themselves. Jerry thanked DC for his remarks.

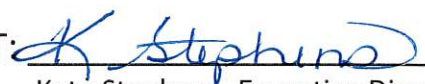
No further comments by community members were made.

3. **Adjourn:** 3:50pm.

LINCOLN COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY BOARD



Jerry Bennett, Chairman

ATTEST: 

Kate Stephens, Executive Director