December 10, 1945

A meeting of the Klickitat County Port District # 1 was held at the temporary office at Bingen at 8:00 P.M. December 10, 1945

All commissioners were present, as was Mr. Ralph Barber, Attorney; Mr. Leon Berry, Mr. Robert Meresse, Senator Earl S. Coe, August Hanson, Mr. L. A. Stanley, Army Engineer; Mr. Bud Peeler, Mayor of White Salmon; Mr. Dick Leet, Mayor of Bingen and Mr. Harold Harris, Councilman of Bingen.

Minutes of Previous meeting were approved as read.

Payment of \$300.00 Inland Empire Waterway Association was discussed.

It was decided to hold up payment of the sum for the present time.

Discussion of Inland Empire Waterway Association meeting at Lewiston on November 19th & 20th, 1945. A complete report was defferred until the next meeting.

Mr. Stanley; Army Engineer: Reviewed briefly the history of the discussion on the Port at Bingen. The Army Engineer decided that a Barge Channell could be built very economically at the present time. Ship channel not feasible to expensive for hence to be derived.

Mr. Stanley then presented maps and figures showing the extent of the plans which could be recommended at the present time by the Army Engineers. It was shown that local interests would have to provide \$100,000 to \$125,000 for dockage, trestles, etc. The Engineers estiamted the fredging costs at \$70,000 to \$75,000 such cost to be paid by the Government.

The total cost at approximately \$200,000 would be justified by the benefit to be derived.

After lenghty discussion it was decided to request the Army Engineers to go ahead with the plans as proposed by them.

Meeting adjourned until January 14, 1946 at 8:00 P.M.

Leon D. Killian Secretary

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