

**ADOPTED MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
HUMBOLDT BAY HARBOR, RECREATION AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**January 9, 2025**

The Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District met in regular session on the above date, Closed Session met at 5:00 P.M., Regular Session met at 6:00 P.M. at the Woodley Island Marina meeting room, 601 Startare Drive, Eureka, CA 95501.

**CLOSED SESSION – 5:00 P.M.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** The following individuals addressed the Commission regarding subject matters on the closed session meeting agenda: No one.

**BUSINESS**

- a) PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION pursuant to Government Code section 54957(b)(1). Title: Executive Director – Chris Mikkelsen
- b) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. Property: Humboldt County APNs: 506-061-007, 506-061-009, 506-061-010, 506-181-006, 506-181-002, 506-061-006. Agency negotiator: Chris Mikkelsen, Executive Director; Ryan Plotz, District Counsel. Negotiating parties: JBM Land, LLC. Under negotiation: price and terms of payment.
- c) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. Property: Humboldt County APN: 506-061-028. Agency negotiator: Chris Mikkelsen, Executive Director; Ryan Plotz, District Counsel. Negotiating parties: Jeff and Rebecca Meyer. Under negotiation: price and terms of payment.

**REGULAR SESSION – 6:05 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: BENSON  
DALE  
KULLMANN  
NEWMAN  
NORTON

ABSENT: NONE

QUORUM: YES

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE**

**REPORT ON SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION:** No reportable action; Board met on Item A, Items B and C were not discussed.



**ELECTION OF BOARD PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, AND SECRETARY**

COMMISSIONER BENSON MOVED TO KEEP THE OFFICERS THE SAME FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025.

COMMISSIONER NORTON SECONDED.

COMMISSIONER BENSON AMENDED HIS MOTION TO NOMINATE:

STEPHEN KULLMANN CHAIR, CRAIG BENSON VICE CHAIR AND AARON NEWMAN SECRETARY.

COMMISSIONER NORTON SECONDED THE AMENDED MOTION.

VOICE VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

Ayes: BENSON, DALE, KULLMANN, NEWMAN, NORTON

Noes: NONE

Absent: NONE

Abstain: NONE

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** The following individuals addressed the Commission regarding subject matters not on the regular session meeting agenda: Todd Van Herpe.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

a) Adopt Minutes for December 12, 2024 Regular Board Meeting

b) Receive District Financial Reports for November 2024

COMMISSIONER NEWMAN MOVED ACCEPT CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS A-B.

COMMISSIONER DALE SECONDED.

VOICE VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

Ayes: BENSON, DALE, KULLMANN, NEWMAN, NORTON

Noes: NONE

Absent: NONE

Abstain: NONE

**COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

a) Correspondence Received – Recognition of President Jimmy Carter read by Greg Dale on this National Day of Mourning.

b) Executive Director's Report

I. Executive Director presented Executive Director's report.

c) Staff Reports

I. Staff presented reports.

d) District Counsel Report

I. No report.

e) District Treasurer Report

I. District Treasurer presented a report.

f) District Engineer Report.

I. No report.

g) District Planner Report

I. No report.

h) Commissioner and Committee Reports

I. Commissioners reported on recent activities and subcommittees.



**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**a) Receive Status Update Regarding Humboldt Bay Offshore Wind Heavy Lift Marine Terminal Project**

- I. District staff presented the item.
- II. The Commission discussed the item.
- III. Chair Kullmann opened the item to public comment. No one commented.
- IV. Chair Kullmann moved the discussion back to the Commission.
- V. Discussion item only, no formal action was taken.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**a) Consider Adopting Resolution 2025-01, A Resolution Designating Business Matters, Appointment and Authorization for the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District for Calendar Year**

- I. Executive Director presented the item.
- II. The Commission discussed the item.
- III. Chair Kullmann opened the item to public comment. No one commented.
- IV. Chair Kullmann moved the discussion back to the Commission.

COMMISSIONER DALE MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2025-01, A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING BUSINESS MATTERS, APPOINTMENT AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE HUMBOLDT BAY HARBOR, RECREATION AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025.

COMMISSIONER BENSON SECONDED.

ROLL CALL VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

Ayes: BENSON, DALE, KULLMANN, NEWMAN, NORTON

Noes: NONE

Absent: NONE

Abstain: NONE

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- a) Resolution Supporting Community Engagement
- b) Redwood Marine Terminal II Shared Facilities Agreement
- c) Review of Ordinance 16
- d) Spartina Lifecycle Presentation from Commissioner Benson

**ADJOURNMENT – 7:10 P.M.**

APPROVED BY:



Aaron Newman  
Secretary of the Board of Commissioners

RECORDED BY:



Mindy Hiley  
Director of Administrative Services