

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HUMBOLDT BAY HARBOR, RECREATION AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT

DATE: **October 14, 2010**

TIME: **6:00 p.m. Closed Session**
 7:00 p.m. Regular Session

PLACE: **Woodley Island Marina Meeting Room**

The Meeting Room is wheelchair accessible. Accommodations and access to Harbor District meetings for people with other handicaps must be requested of the Director of Administrative Services at 443-0801 five (5) working days in advance of the meeting.

1. **Call to Order at 6:00 p.m.**
 - a. **Move to Executive Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of the California Government Code Section 54957.6 (Negotiations with Represented Employees)**
 - **Conference with Labor Negotiator**
Agency Negotiator: Chief Executive Officer, District Counsel, District Treasurer, two (2) or less of the members of the Board of Commissioners.
Employee organization: As recognized by the Board of Commissioners of the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District, including International Longshore and Warehouse Union, Local 14A.
2. **Adjourn Executive Closed Session**
3. **Call to Order Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. and Roll Call**
4. **Pledge of Allegiance**
5. **Report on Executive Closed Session**
6. **Public Comment**

Note: This portion of the Agenda allows the public to speak to the Board on various issues not itemized on this agenda. A member of the public may also request that a matter appearing on the Consent Calendar be pulled and discussed separately. Pursuant to the Brown Act, the Board may not take action on an item that does not appear on the Agenda. Each speaker is limited to speak for a period of three (3) minutes regarding each item on the Agenda. Each speaker is limited to speak for a period of three (3) minutes during the PUBLIC COMMENT portion of the Agenda regarding items of special interest to the public not appearing on the Agenda that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board of Commissioners. The three (3) minute time limit may not be transferred to other speakers. The three (3) minute time limit may be extended by the President of the Board of Commissioners or the Presiding Member of the Board of Commissioners at the regular meeting of the District. The three (3) minute time limit for each speaker may be enforced by the President of the Board of Commissioners or the Presiding Member of the Board of Commissioners at the regular meeting of the District.

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7. Consent Calendar

Note: All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine by the Board of Commissioners and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is required, that item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

- a. Consideration of travel expenses for Director of Administrative Services to renew Notary Public Commission, October 20, 2010.
- b. Consideration of purchase of lawn tractor from Razursharp \$1,649.19
- c. Consideration of purchase of replacement bilge controllers from TESCO Controls \$4,302.93

8. Communications and Reports

- a. Chief Executive Officer's Report
- b. District Counsel's Report
- c. Staff Reports
- d. Commissioner Reports
- e. Advisory Committee Reports
- f. Other

9. Non Agenda

10. Unfinished Business

11. New Business

- a. Consideration of approval of agreement with HT Harvey and Associates for Ecological Consulting Services.
- b. Consideration of options to ensure the continued success of the District's Conservation Division.

12. Administrative and Emergency Permits

12. ADJOURNMENT

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

October 14, 2010

PRESENT:

Commissioner Curless
Commissioner Wilson
Commissioner Higgins
Commissioner Marks

ABSENT:

Commissioner Pellegrini

President Curless called the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 7:01 p.m.

President Curless led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Carl Schoenhofer, General Manager for California Redwood Company, which manufactures Douglas fir and Redwood products, told the Board of Commissioners plans are developing for their chip export dock, formerly North Coast Export. He said a permit application has been filed with four different agencies to make the necessary repairs to the facility, which should take 6-9 months. Once the repairs are made, chips will be exported on an average of eight ships per year. Upon developing the market for Redwood and Tan Oak chips, another 10 ships per year will visit Humboldt Bay and a log chipping operation will be built.

Commissioner Marks said he once worked at North Coast Export and is happy to see the opportunity open up for California Redwood Company.

CONSENT CALENDAR

COMMISSIONER HIGGINS MOVED FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR. COMMISSIONER WILSON SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

CEO REPORT

- ❖ 9/24: Commissioner Pellegrini and CEO met with PG&E power plant representatives and Supervisor Smith regarding developing a process for dredging the King Salmon canal. The group will meet monthly to discuss this project.
- ❖ 9/28: CEO received notice from Bob Simpson the pulp mill is closed. Mr. Simpson is committed to use the property for harbor-related business.
- ❖ CEO is working with Taylor Shellfish on a lease for Redwood Marine Terminal Berth 2.
- ❖ 10/5: CEO attended the City of Eureka's ribbon cutting ceremony at the C Street Marketplace, featuring Congressman Thompson as the keynote speaker. The fishermen's work area is the last to be completed of the Eureka Channel's Waterfront Revitalization Projects to be completed since approved in 1993.
- ❖ 10/5: Congressman Thompson spoke at the District's press conference about the award of the West Coast Marine Highway Market Assessment grant.
- ❖ 10/6-8: CEO attended the CMANC Fall meeting at the Port of Stockton.
- ❖ 10/14: The North Coast Local Agency Coastal Coordination Committee met to discuss the resolution supporting the unified array. Currently, 16 agencies have passed the resolution. Director of Conservation will submit the package of resolutions showing unification to the Blue Ribbon Task Force at their meeting at the end of the month. CEO stated the Harbor District has received many compliments on leadership with this project.
- ❖ Work is expected to begin the first week of November on the Shelter Cove Breakwater Rehabilitation Project.

DISTRICT COUNSEL REPORT

District Counsel did not attend this meeting.

STAFF REPORT: None

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

Commissioner Marks:

- ❖ Attended the City of Eureka's ribbon cutting ceremony at the C Street Marketplace.
- ❖ Attended District's press conference on the marine highway project.
- ❖ Reported that because the pulp mill is not going to open for business, the Local 49 union will be disbursing their assets, including the union hall.

Commissioner Higgins:

- ❖ Reported he has been diving recently in the lower Eel River, counting salmon.
- ❖ Went fishing on the charter vessel *Reel Steel* at Cape Mendocino.

Commissioner Wilson:

- ❖ Stated even with additional shipping, he still has concerns about the District's budget. He asked staff for a formal proposal to move into a Health Savings Account plan for medical insurance. CEO noted that as Commissioner Wilson's specific request was not agendaized, CEO would include an agenda item relating to medical insurance research on the next agenda.
- ❖ Asked about the District's current loan payments encumbrances. CEO stated he is working on deferment of loan payments with the Department of Boating and Waterways.

Commissioner Curless:

- ❖ Attended Congressman Thompson's press conference on the marine highway project.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Wilson:

- ❖ Reported he continues to work with staff on information for video equipment upgrade.

Commissioner Higgins:

- ❖ Attended the North Coast Local Agency Coastal Coordination Committee meeting today. He said the unification on the support for the array is a major accomplishment and the group is also interested in collaborative fish monitoring with the Harbor District as the lead agency. Commissioner Wilson thanked Commissioner Higgins for his work on this committee and thanked staff for their involvement.
- ❖ Reported the ITQ workshop has been postponed due to conflicting meetings and fisheries, but will pursue after the first of the year.

OTHER: None

NON-AGENDA: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS

A. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH HT HARVEY AND ASSOCIATES FOR ECOLOGICAL CONSULTING SERVICES.

COMMISSIONER HIGGINS MOVED FOR THE APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH HT HARVEY AND ASSOCIATES FOR ECOLOGICAL CONSULTING SERVICES. COMMISSIONER MARKS SECONDED.

CEO reported under this contract, Adam Wagschal will continue on with a few of the projects he has been intimately involved with as Director of Conservation. This will also allow the District time to find a suitable replacement as Director of Conservation.

Commissioner Higgins stated it would be good to foster a relationship with HT Harvey and Associates and to continue working with Adam.

MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

B. CONSIDERATION OF OPTIONS TO ENSURE THE CONTINUED SUCCESS OF THE DISTRICT'S CONSERVATION DIVISION.

COMMISSIONER WILSON MOVED FOR APPROVAL OF OPTION 1 OF THE STAFF AGENDA REPORT, *RECRUIT A NEW CONSERVATION DIRECTOR*. COMMISSIONER HIGGINS SECONDED.

Commissioner Higgins stated it is important to not lose continuity in the Director of Conservation position in order to compete for grant funds.

Commissioner Curless said he supported retaining Adam on a consulting basis for the rest of the fiscal year so that there is no hurry to replace him.

Commissioner Wilson said that while Adam's dedication to the organization is unwavering, at the last meeting, instruction was given to staff to begin the hiring process that most likely would not conclude until February or March.

Commissioner Marks stated he thought March 2011 would be unattainable as a goal to have a replacement for the Director of Conservation and that May 2011 would be more reasonable.

CEO reported the contract approved with HT Harvey and Associates is for Adam to work on specific projects that have already been started. Option 2 of the Agenda Report is similar to the arrangement of District Counsel and District Treasurer; they work on an on-call basis.

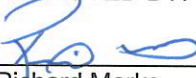
The Board all agreed that there should be no hurry to fill the position of Director of Conservation.

MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND EMERGENCY PERMITS: None

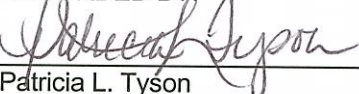
The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

APPROVED BY:



Richard Marks
Secretary

RECORDED BY:



Patricia L. Tyson
Director of Administrative Services