**Minutes of Humboldt Bay Working Waterfront Opportunities Committee**

**531 K Street, Room 207**

**Eureka, CA 95501**

Wednesday, April 30, 2014

3:00 – 4:30 PM

I. Call to Order: **Chair Melinda Ciarabellini opened the meeting at 3:10pm. Item 6a moved to follow public comment.**

II. Roll Call and Introductions: **Present were City of Eureka Representative and Chair of Humboldt Ad Hoc Melinda Ciarabellini, Wiyot Tribe alternate and Vice Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee Steve Kullman, Mike Knight, Alternate Marian Brady from the City of Eureka, County of Humboldt Representatives Virginia Bass and Dawn Elsbree, Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District Representatives, Alternate Mike Wilson, Secretary Richard Marks and Jack Crider. City of Arcata Planning Director/Representative Larry Oetkter. Harbor District Counsel Paul Brisso, Eureka City Counsel Cyndy Day-Wilson and Humboldt County Counsel Wendy Chaitin were present for orderly facilitation.**

III. Public Comment

*This is the time for members of the public who wish to be heard on matters that do not appear on the Agenda. Each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. Such time allotment or portion thereof shall not be transferred to other speakers.*

*Pursuant to the Brown Act, the Board may not take action on an item that does not appear on the Agenda.*

**Pete Oringer: Wants guidelines for Harbor working group. Need a statement of purpose. He haded out literature.**

**Richard Lentz: Handed out literature about citizen group. Example of agencies coming together.**

**Susana Munzell: Thanked the committee for having open meeting. She handed out comments about lunch meeting of Humboldt Harbor Working Group.**

VI. Business – Report, Discussion and Action

A.              Receive and Review Report from the Eureka City Attorney, County Counsel and Harbor District Counsel Regarding the Applicability of the Brown Act Open Meeting Requirement and Take Appropriate Action if Necessary.

**Cyndy Day Wilson Answered question about Brown Act and mentioned deliverables outlined in three of the agencies Resolutions.**

**Wendy Chaitin said this was a creation of a new legislative board.**

**Paul Brisso pointed out that the Harbor Resolution deleted the deliverables and passed a different Resolution.**

**Wendy Chaitin suggested that the Resolution should be amended including shared information.**

**Marian Brady wanted to know “What good is a Resolution then?”**

**Mike Wilson said there was no rational for the deliverables and no funding. Everyone else passed a Resolution that the Harbor was responsible for.**

**Melinda said that the group was not working from the same page. Needed a new purpose.**

**Cyndy Day Wilson determined that the Resolutions were legal but should be repealed and put on same path. Suggested amendment of the Resolutions to one.**

**Marian Brady wanted to know if Arcata was going to be allowed on committee would every other agency would then be allowed to be at table?**

**Melinda mentioned that Arcata is on the Bay.**

**Larry Oetkter offered to do new Resolution to reflect all the agencies.**

**Jack Cider said deliverables can’t be ignored.**

**Mike Wilson felt the there was a redundancy and needed collaboration to enhance a planning type document.**

**Pete Oringer complimented Larry and Mike for their statements but seen this process as a turf war. There should be a statement of purpose and welcomed a collaborative opportunity.**

**Richard Lentz realized all of us have busy lives and the Harbor District needed to be motivated by vision and the whole is greater than its parts.**

**Suzanna wanted to to concentrate on job creation and a new economy created by the Harbor.**

**Karen Brooks said it was not a slight of not including Arcata in the original Resolution and that the intent was to just focus on the Harbor Bridge to Fields Landing.**

**Melinda asked the question, “How do we move forward?”**

**Steve Kullman wanted to know what the committee was going to do. What are the pros and cons concerning the deliverables?**

**Richard Marks suggested we have Resolution direction or create an ad hoc committee bound to Brown Act rules.**

**Paul Brisso said we need to follow the direction of the Resolutions.**

**Suzanna again pointed out the need to promote jobs.**

**Melinda suggested that we draft a generic Resolution that can be passed by the agencies.**

**Mike Wilson said to keep it simple.**

**Mike Knight made motion and Steve Kullman seconded to draft a one page new Resolution. Motion passed unanimously. Melinda appointed new committee to draft: Dawn Elsbree, Steve Kullman, Mike Wilson, Larry Oetkter and Melinda.**

IV. Committee/Member Reports, Discussion and Action, If Any

A. Receive a Report/Update from the Harbor District’s Economic Development Committee (Marks) **Tabled**

B. Receive a Report Regarding the Grant the County Received from the Coastal Commission for “Interim Uses” of the Harbor (Elsbree) **Tabled**

C. Receive a Report about the Status of the Chevron Property (Knight) **Tabled**

D. Receive a Report Regarding the Harbor District’s Purchase of a Dredge (Crider) **Tabled**

E. Report from Participating Agencies (Current, Pending or Upcoming Bay-Related Projects) **Tabled**

V. Consent Calendar

A. Approval of the Minutes from the March 5, 2014 Regular Meeting. **Jack Crider moved Mike Knight seconded. Motion carried.**

B. Review and Edit the Draft Goal Statement (attachment), Select a Name for the Group, Establish Meeting Dates and Time**: Humboldt Bay Working Waterfront Opportunities Committee. Next Meeting May 28th 3pm. Place to be determined.**

C. Discussion of Potential Collaboration

VII. Adjournment **: 4:40pm**