

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

**February 2, 2017**

The Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation, and Conservation District met in special session on the above date, 6:00 P.M. Open Session, at the D Street Neighborhood Center, 1301 D Street, Arcata, CA 95521.

**REGULAR SESSION – 6:00 P.M.**

**1) ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT:           HIGGINS  
                  MARKS  
                  DOSS  
                  DALE

ABSENT: THIRD DIVISION COMMISSIONER SEAT: VACANT

QUORUM: Yes

**2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3) PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following individuals addressed the Council regarding subject matters not on this meeting's agenda: Kent Sawatzky Uri Driscoll, un-named public commenter, and Pete Oringer. Items discussed included Commission proceedings and process, King Salmon Channel Dredging, and meeting minutes and videos.

**CONSENT CALENDAR: NONE**

**COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS: NONE**

**4) UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT 3 COMMISSIONER.

District Staff presented an overview of the selection process thus far and introduced the format for the item's deliberation at this meeting. The process was as follows:

- A. Candidates drew numbers to determine order in which they made statements and interviewed.
  - I. Stephen Kullmann (1), David Narum (2), Casey Allen (3)
  - II. Kullmann and Narum traded numbers with consent of Allen, Narum requested to go first.
- B. Candidate Opening Statement (allowed 2 minutes each)
  - I. David Narum
    - o Withdrew his application from consideration, noting his support for the appointment of Stephen Kullmann. He then left the candidate table and sat in the audience.
  - I. Stephen Kullmann
  - II. Casey Allen
- C. Public Comment Period
  - I. Audience opportunity to recommend questions that the Commission may adopt for interviews
  - II. Commenters included: Kent Sawatzky, 2 unnamed public commenters, Jennifer Savage, Jen Kalt, Mike Wilson, Karen Brooks, Steve Rosenberg, Pete Oringer, Dennis Halligan, Uri Driscoll
- D. Candidate Interviews
  - I. Commission asked the same questions of each candidate, approximately 3 questions from each Commissioner

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- II. Candidate was allowed approximately 1.5 minutes per question
- III. Each candidate interviewed separately
  - o Kullmann interviewed first, Allen left room
  - o Allen interviewed second, Kullmann sat in audience
  - o Subsequent to Allen's interview, he joined the audience

**E. Commission Discussion and Motion**

- I. The Commission discussed the decision-making process, and candidate considerations for the vacant seat.
- II. COMMISSIONER MARKS MOVED TO APPOINT STEPHEN KULLMANN TO THE VACANT DISTRICT 3 COMMISSION SEAT. COMMISSIONER DALE SECONDED THE MOTION.
- III. The Commission opened up final public comment period for item
- IV. Commenters included: Kent Sawatzky, Karen Brooks, Cliff Hart, Hollie Hall, un-named commenter, Stephen Rosenberg, Uri Driscoll, Frank Shaughnessy, Stan Brandenburg, Dennis Halligan, Jim Zollman, Patrick Swartz, Jen Kalt, Don Banducci, Sid Berg, Ed Cohen, Bitsa Burger, Whelan Gilkerson, and Mike Wilson. Commenters discussed which candidate they supported and why.
- V. Seeing no one else in the audience wishing to comment, Chair Higgins brought the discussion back to the Commission. The Commission noted how tough this decision is, and how pleased with the candidate selection and process they are. Commissioners also discussed how they were going to vote and why. Chair Higgins called the question.
  - i. MOTION CARRIED WITH COMMISSIONER DOSS DISSENTING

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND EMERGENCY PERMITS: NONE**

**5) ADJOURNMENT**

The Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners adjourned at 8:12 pm.

APPROVED BY

Patrick Higgins  
Secretary

RECORDED BY:

George Williamson  
District Planner