# **ADOPTED MINUTES**

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

May 9, 2024

The Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District met in regular session on the above date, Regular Session met at 6:00 P.M. at the Wharfinger Building, One Marina Way, Eureka, CA 95501.

## **REGULAR SESSION - 6:04 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL** 

PRESENT: BENSON

DALE HIGGINS KULLMANN NEWMAN

ABSENT:

NONE

QUORUM:

YES

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** The following individuals addressed the Commission regarding subject matters not on the regular session meeting agenda: No one.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- a) Adopt Minutes for the April 11, 2024, Regular Board Meeting
- b) Receive District Financial Reports March 2024
- c) Charter Agreement Renewal for Micah Woolworth dba Lost Coast Sportfishing to Operate a Charter Service at Woodley Island Marina
- d) Charter Agreement Renewal for R. Charles and Kim Class dba First Class to Operate a Bed & Breakfast at Woodley Island Marina

COMMISSIONER HIGGINS MOVED ACCEPT CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS A-D.

COMMISSIONER NEWMAN SECONDED.

VOICE VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes:

BENSON, DALE, HIGGINS, KULLMANN, NEWMAN

Noes: NONE Absent: NONE

Abstain: NONE

## COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- a) Correspondence Received
  - Ballot for Humboldt LAFCo
    - I. Executive Director presented the item.

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- II. The Commission discussed the item.
- III. Chair Dale opened the item to public comment. Will Franklin commented.
- IV. Chair Dale moved the discussion back to the Commission.

  COMMISSIONER HIGGINS MOVED TO VOTE FOR DAVID COUCH IN THE

  INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT ELECTION FOR A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION.

COMMISSIONER KULLMANN SECONDED.

COMMISSIONER BENSON MOVED TO VOTE FOR HEIDI BENZONELLI IN THE INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT ELECTION FOR A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION.

NO ONE SECONDED; COMMISSIONER BENSON WITHDREW HIS MOTION VOICE VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED FOR DAVID COUCH.

Ayes: DALE, HIGGINS

Noes: BENSON Absent: NONE

Abstain: KULLMANN, NEWMAN

- 2. Letter from Heidi Benzonelli Regarding the Upcoming Election for Special District Members to Serve on the Humboldt Local Area Foundation Commission (LAFCo)
- **b)** Executive Director's Report
  - I. Executive Director presented Executive Director's report.
- c) Staff Reports
  - Staff presented reports.
- d) District Counsel and District Treasurer Reports
  - I. No report.
- e) Commissioner and Committee Reports
  - I. Commissioners reported on recent activities and subcommittees.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 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 Dale opened the item to public comment. No one commented.
  - IV. Chair Dale moved the discussion back to the Commission.
  - V. Discussion item only, no formal action was taken.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

a) Consider Adopting Resolution 2024-04, a Resolution Affirming the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation, and Conservation District's Commitment to the Prevention of Sex Trafficking and "Missing and Murdered Indigenous People" in Association with the Humboldt Bay Offshore Wind Heavy Lift Marine Terminal Project

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- I. District Staff presented the item with Joe James, Chairman of the Yurok Tribe, Robert Hempstead, Vice Chairman of the Trinidad Rancheria, and Jack Norton, a Hoopa Valley Tribal Member who works for the Blue Lake Rancheria.
- II. The Commission discussed the item.
- III. Chair Dale opened the item to public comment. Catherine Buchanan, Cody Freitas, Holly Hensher, Matthew Simmons, Liam Cain, Sam Levins, Kerry Venegas and Amy Jester commented.
- IV. Chair Dale moved the discussion back to the Commission.

COMMISSIONER KULLMANN MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2024-04, A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE HUMBOLDT BAY HARBOR, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S COMMITMENT TO THE PREVENTION OF SEX TRAFFICKING AND "MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS PEOPLE" IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE HUMBOLDT BAY OFFSHORE WIND HEAVY LIFT MARINE TERMINAL PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER NEWMAN SECONDED.

COMMISSIONER KULLMANN AMENDED HIS MOTION TO INCLUDE: DIRECTING STAFF TO SHARE THE STAFF REPORT AND THE RESOLUTION WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES THROUGHOUT THE HUMBOLDT BAY REGION AND TO ENCOURAGE THOSE ENTITIES TO CONSIDER USING THE RESOLUTION AS A TEMPLATE FOR THEIR FUTURE PROJECTS; AND DIRECTING STAFF TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH REGIONAL TRIBES. LEARN FROM THEM, AND IDENTIFY ACTIONS THAT THE DISTRICT CAN ENACT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR ADVANCEMENT.

COMMISSIONER NEWMAN SECONDED THE AMENDED MOTION.

ROLL CALL VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

Aves:

BENSON, DALE, HIGGINS, KULLMANN, NEWMAN

Noes:

NONE

Absent: NONE

Abstain: NONE

# b) Receive Report Regarding a Concept for a Future District Program Regarding the Removal of Abandoned Creosote Piles Throughout Humboldt Bay

- I. District Staff presented the item.
- II. The Commission discussed the item.
- III. Chair Dale opened the item to public comment. Jennifer Kalt, Robert Hempstead and Cody Freitas commented.
- IV. Chair Dale moved the discussion back to the Commission.
- V. Discussion item only, no formal action was taken.

# c) Budget Goals for Redwood Marine Terminal I, Redwood Marine Terminal II, and the **Shelter Cove Boat Launch**

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

# d) Accept the Audit Report for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year

- I. District Staff and District Treasurer presented the item.
- II. The Commission discussed the item.
- III. Chair Dale opened the item to public comment. No one commented.
- IV. Chair Dale moved the discussion back to the Commission.

COMMISSIONER NEWMAN MOVED TO ADOPT THE AUDIT REPORT FOR THE 2022-2023 FISCAL YEAR.

COMMISSIONER BENSON SECONDED.

VOICE VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

Ayes: DALE, BENSON, HIGGINS, KULLMANN, NEWMAN

Noes: NONE Absent: NONE Abstain: NONE

# **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

a) Resolution Supporting Community Engagement

ADJOURNMENT - 8:15 P.M.

APPROVED BY:

**RECORDED BY:** 

Aaron Newman

Secretary of the Board of Commissioners

Mindy Hiley

**Director of Administrative Services**