

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

November 13, 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. and 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

SPECIAL SESSION – 6:06 P.M.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: BENSON (left meeting at 6:50 P.M.)
DALE
KULLMANN
NORTON

ABSENT: NEWMAN

QUORUM: YES

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION: No reportable action.

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 September 25, 2025 Special Board Meeting
- b) Adopt Minutes for October 14, 2025 Special Board Meeting
- c) Receive District Financial Reports for July 2025
- d) Receive District Financial Reports for August 2025
- e) Receive District Financial Reports for September 2025
- f) Consider Accepting Application for Filing for Harbor District Permit 2025-05: CalTrout Elk River Estuary Restoration Project (Planning Area 1)

COMMISSIONER KULLMANN PULLED ITEM 8F FOR DISCUSSION.

Adopted Minutes for November 13, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

COMMISSIONER BENSON MOVED ACCEPT CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS A-E.
COMMISSIONER DALE SECONDED.

VOICE VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: BENSON, DALE, KULLMANN, NORTON

Noes: NONE

Absent: NEWMAN

Abstain: NONE

f) Consider Accepting Application for Filing for Harbor District Permit 2025-05: CalTrout Elk River Estuary Restoration Project (Planning Area 1)

I. Executive Director presented item 8f, Permit Application for filing.

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 BENSON MOVED TO ACCEPT CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM F.
COMMISSIONER NORTON SECONDED.

VOICE VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: BENSON, DALE, KULLMANN, NORTON

Noes: NONE

Absent: NEWMAN

Abstain: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

a) Correspondence Received

I. None received.

b) Executive Director's Report

I. Executive Director presented Executive Director's report.

c) Staff Reports

I. No report.

d) District Counsel Report

I. No report.

e) District Treasurer Report

I. No report.

f) District Engineer Report.

I. Executive Director presented Engineer's 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 the Humboldt Bay Offshore Wind Heavy Lift Marine Terminal Project

- 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.
- V. Discussion item only, no formal action was taken.

NEW BUSINESS

a) Presentation on Osprey Along the Samoa Peninsula

- I. Taxonomist Elizabeth Meisman 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. Presentation item, no formal action was taken.

b) Acknowledgement of Intent to Submit a Grant Application to the California Department of Fish & Wildlife for Oil Spill Prevention and Response Equipment and Supplies

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

c) Consider Adopting Resolution 2025-08, A Resolution of Intention to Approve an Amendment to the Contract Between The California Public Employees' Retirement System and The Board of Commissioners of The Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District

- I. Executive Director presented the item.
- II. The Commission discussed the item.
- III. Chair Kullmann opened the item to public comment. Scott Frazier commented.
- IV. Chair Kullmann moved the discussion back to the Commission.

COMMISSIONER DALE MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2025-08, A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HUMBOLDT BAY HARBOR, RECREATION AND CONSERVATION DISTRICT.
COMMISSIONER NORTON SECONDED.

COMMISSIONER DALE MOVED TO RECIND THE MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2025-08 AND BRING THE ITEM BACK AT A FUTURE BOARD MEETING.
COMMISSIONER NORTON SECONDED.

VOICE VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: DALE, KULLMANN, NORTON

Noes: NONE

Absent: BENSON, NEWMAN

Abstain: NONE

d) Consider Adopting Resolution 2025-09, A Resolution Declaring that Governing Body and Volunteers Shall Be Deemed Employees of the District for the Purpose of Providing Workers' Compensation Coverage

- 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 NORTON MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2025-09, A RESOLUTION DECLARING THAT GOVERNING BODY AND VOLUNTEERS SHALL BE DEEMED EMPLOYEES OF THE DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE.

COMMISSIONER DALE SECONDED.

ROLL CALL VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED.

Ayes: DALE, KULLMANN, NORTON

Noes: NONE

Absent: BENSON, NEWMAN

Abstain: NONE

ADJOURNMENT – 7:34 P.M.

APPROVED BY:

RECORDED BY:



Aaron Newman
Secretary of the Board of Commissioners



Mindy Hiley
Director of Administrative Services