

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

May 2, 2016

PRESENT:

Commissioner Doss
Commissioner Dale
Commissioner Higgins – arrived at 12:14 p.m.
Commissioner Wilson
Commissioner Marks

Vice President Wilson called the Special meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 12:07 p.m.

Vice President Wilson lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kent Sawatzky said the United States is in debt for \$19 trillion. 13.7% of the taxes paid covers the interest on the debt and that is not a pretty picture. Consider this when setting the District's budget. There is no such thing as "free stuff".

NEW BUSINESS

A. FY 2016/17 BUDGET WORKSHOP.

Executive Director stated the projects for FY 2016/17 have been downsized compared to last year. During the next six months the New Market Tax Credits project will be completed and Shelter Cove will be done with fishing season for awhile.

Executive Director and Director of Administrative Services presented to the Board proposed revenue and expenses for FY 2016/17 for Administration, Woodley Island, Redwood Marine Terminal Berth 1, Redwood Terminal Berth 2, Tideland Leases, Fields Landing Boat Yard, King Salmon, Dredging, Shelter and Cruise Ship categories.

Commissioner Wilson said he would like to see revenue sources cover the expenses for the year. He said a matrix showing the comparison of revenue and expenses of Woodley Island to Redwood Marine Terminal Berth 1 for the next 20 years would be helpful.

Commissioner Higgins said he is inclined to be conservative with outlays, even if the project is valid. He would like to be in a stronger cash position before acquiring more debt.

Commissioner Dale said Humboldt Bay could use better service and additional opportunities.

Executive Director stated he will be using the conceptual to solicit partners for the Oyster Bay on Woodley Island.

Commissioner Doss said the barbeque/picnic area proposed at the Oyster Bar area should be expedited. It gives the idea of what is proposed for that area of the island and shows off more of the bay.

Commissioner Wilson said there should be a small budget for the design. Executive Director suggested \$3,000 be allocated for the design work and additional monies for more picnic tables.

Commissioner Marks stated Hog Island's business on Tomales Bay was shut down because there were too many people, too much business.

Commissioner Dale asked what needs to be done to get rid of the boiler at Redwood Terminal 2. More advertisement? Executive Director stated scrap prices are down at this time.

Commissioner Doss asked about solar options at the Fields Landing Boat Yard. Commissioner Wilson said he would like to have a long-term plan for the expansion of Fields Landing Boat Yard.

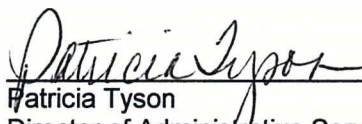
The Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

APPROVED BY:



Greg Dale
Secretary

RECORDED BY:



Patricia Tyson
Director of Administrative Services