ADOPTED MINUTES

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

January 11, 2024

The Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District met in regular session on the above date, Closed Session met at 5:00 P.M., 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) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. Property: All or Portions of Humboldt County Assessor Parcel Nos.: 401-112-024-000, 401-031-040-000, 401-031-078-000, and 401-031-083-000, and portions of the tidelands along the Samoa Peninsula adjacent to Redwood Marine Terminal I. Agency negotiator: Larry Oetker, Executive Director; Ryan Plotz. District Counsel. Negotiating parties: Crowley Wind Services, Inc. Under negotiation: price and terms of payment.

REGULAR SESSION – 6:03 P.M.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

BENSON

DALE **HIGGINS**

KULLMANN NEWMAN

ABSENT:

NONE

QUORUM:

YES

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

ELECTION OF BOARD PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, AND SECRETARY

COMMISSIONER NEWMAN MOVED NOMINATE THE CURRENT SLATE:

GREG DALE CHAIR, STEPHEN KULLMANN VICE CHAIR AND AARON NEWMAN SECRETARY.

COMMISSIONER BENSON SECONDED.

VOICE VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

Ayes:

BENSON, DALE, HIGGINS, KULLMANN, NEWMAN

Noes:

NONE

Absent: NONE

Abstain: NONE

REPORT ON SPECIAL 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 December 14, 2023 Regular Board Meeting
- b) Receive District Financial Reports November 2023
- c) Emergency Permit E-2023-07 Approval for USCG Power
- d) Review and Approve a Lease Amendment with OnTrac Logistics, Inc.
- e) Review and Approve a Lease with Lee Figas

COMMISSIONER HIGGINS MOVED ACCEPT CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS A-E.

COMMISSIONER KULLMANN SECONDED.

VOICE VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

Ayes:

BENSON, DALE, HIGGINS, KULLMANN, NEWMAN

Noes: NONE Absent: NONE Abstain: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- a) Correspondence Received None.
- b) Executive Director's Report
 - I. Executive Director presented Executive Director's report.
- c) Staff Reports
 - I. Staff presented reports.
- d) District Counsel and District Treasurer Reports
 - I. No report.
- e) Commissioner and Committee Reports
 - Commissioners reported on recent activities and subcommittees.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) 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

- Consider Adopting Resolution 2024-01, A Resolution Committing the District to Developing and Adopting a Green Terminal Strategy and Roadmap for the New Heavy Lift Multipurpose Terminal to Support the Offshore Wind Industry
 - District Staff and Amy Monier from Crowley Wind Services presented the item.

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- II. The Commission discussed the item.
- III. Chair Dale opened the item to public comment. Robin Gray-Stewart, Jen Kalt, Alysia Bixler, Matt Simmons, Kerry Venegas, Chris Moyer, Carol Vander Meer, Bill Rich, Luis Neuner and Amy Jester commented.
- IV. Chair Dale moved the discussion back to the Commission.

COMMISSIONER HIGGINS MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2024-01, A RESOLUTION COMMITTING THE DISTRICT TO DEVELOPING AND ADOPTING A GREEN TERMINAL STRATEGY AND ROADMAP FOR THE NEW HEAVY LIFT MULTIPURPOSE TERMINAL TO SUPPORT THE OFFSHORE WIND INDUSTRY.

COMMISSIONER NEWMAN SECONDED.

ROLL CALL VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

Aves:

BENSON, DALE, HIGGINS, KULLMANN, NEWMAN

Noes: NONE Absent: NONE Abstain: NONE

- b) Consider Adopting Resolution 2024-02: Adopting an Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration and Establishing Findings Relative to and Approving Harbor District Permit 2023-06 with Conditions for the Eureka Flood Reduction and Sea Level Rise Resiliency 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.

COMMISSIONER HIGGINS MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2024-02, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND ESTABLISHING FINDINGS RELATIVE TO AND APPROVING HARBOR DISTRICT PERMIT 2023-06 WITH CONDITIONS FOR THE EUREKA FLOOD REDUCTION AND SEA LEVEL RISE RESILIENCY PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER KULLMANN SECONDED.

ROLL CALL VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

Ayes:

BENSON, DALE, HIGGINS, KULLMANN, NEWMAN

Noes: NONE Absent: NONE Abstain: NONE

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a) MMIP
- b) PIDP Grant Contract (expected by August 2024)
- c) Piling Removal Program Concept
- d) Update of Advisory Committee development
- e) Modeling of Offshore Wind Turbines (expected by April 2024)

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ADJOURNMENT – 7:09 P.M.

APPROVED BY:

RECORDED BY:

Aaron Newman

Secretary of the Board of Commissioners

Mindy Hiley

Director of Administrative Services