

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

**January 27, 2011**

**PRESENT:**

Commissioner Pellegrini  
Commissioner Curless  
Commissioner Wilson  
Commissioner Marks

**ABSENT:**

Commissioner Higgins

President Curless called the Executive Closed Session to order at 6:02 p.m.

President Curless adjourned the Executive Closed Session to order at 6:20p.m.

President Curless called the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 7:05 p.m.

President Curless lead those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Russ Gans reported on the items discussed during Closed Session: Status of negotiations with the Harbor District employee union – instructions were given to the negotiating committee to revise the contract as requested by the employee union.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

COMMISSIONER PELLEGRINI MOVED FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR.  
COMMISSIONER MARKS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

**CEO REPORT**

- ❖ 1/18: CEO participated in the North Coast Local Agency Coastal Coordination Committee meeting. There was a lot of discussion on the next steps and preparation for the upcoming CA Department of Fish & Game (DFG) meeting on the MPA. Adam Wagschal also made a presentation to the State's Joint Fisheries and Aquaculture Committee. The Board of Commissioners' packet contained copies of a letter and 21 support resolutions sent to the DFG Commission and a copy of a letter from Assemblymember Chesbro and Senators Evans and LaMalfa.
- ❖ Director of Maritime Commerce attended the West Coast Corridor Coalition meeting on marine highways. An RFP for a consultant to complete the West Coast Marine Highway Market Analysis for MARAD will be sent out soon; and hopefully a consultant will be hired by April 1 and the analysis completed by December 31.
- ❖ The survey work on Redwood Marine Terminal Berths 1 and 2 and the Fields Landing Boat Yard is completed and the information is being processed. Winzler and Kelly will do the pre-dredge soil analysis and biological assessment.
- ❖ 1/19-21: CEO attended the CMANC Winter Meeting. There is still no real good news from the Federal government. There may not be a transportation reauthorization until after the next Presidential election, WRDA unlikely; no earmarks; no progress on President's export initiative in a year.
- ❖ The Shelter Cove Breakwater Rehabilitation Project is complete and there have been many positive comments.
- ❖ Staff participated in a Redwood Marine Terminal Security exercise today.

- ❖ The Board received a letter from Figas Construction proposing to use Redwood Marine Terminal Berth 1. Terms are being negotiated.
- ❖ Project Manager Drew Barrett will give a report on the Collaborative Fisheries Research Project to the Board of Commissioners at their February 10 meeting.
- ❖ Director of Maritime Commerce will give the Board of Commissioners a marketing update at their March 24 meeting.

**DISTRICT COUNSEL REPORT:** None

**STAFF REPORT:** None

**COMMISSIONERS AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Commissioner Pellegrini:

- ❖ Reported the *Bloomberg Report* printed an article stating this is the first time since 2006 that US West Coast ports are poised for two consecutive years of increase in shipping traffic. International container traffic will increase as much as 7%, the article predicted.

Commissioner Wilson:

- ❖ Attended the RREDC meeting on January 24, where he was voted Vice President. He said there was unanimous support for the Aquaculture Expansion Project and the Headwaters Grant application.
- ❖ Reported Adam Wagschal gave the final report on Impact Assessment to the Headwaters Fund Board.

Commissioner Marks:

- ❖ Has been working with Commissioner Curless on union negotiations and feels the negotiations are almost done.
- ❖ Reported unfortunately the pulp mill is currently being scrapped. He said in the 1990's there were 500 union living wage jobs on the Samoa peninsula; now there are less than 10.

Commissioner Curless:

- ❖ Said he was sorry to hear of the drowning at Dry Lagoon this past weekend. The local ocean waters are dangerous, especially this time of year.

**OTHER**

**Presentation by Adam Wagschal on the North Coast Pre-MLPA Community-Based Socioeconomic Characterization and Risk Assessment Final Report.**

Adam gave a presentation to the Board stating the final report is done and he is working with the consultants for the complete data set.

Adam said he attended the hearing at the Board of Supervisors chambers of the Joint Committee on Fisheries and Aquacultures. This was a time for public input on the unified MPA array. He gave a presentation and asked the Fish & Game Commission to allow time on their agenda in February for stakeholders comments. The California Indian tribes are not happy with the Unified MPA array, but are supporting it as the least impacting of their traditions.

Commissioner Wilson thanked Commissioners Pellegrini and Higgins and Adam Wagschal for bringing this issue forward.

Todd VanHerpe thanked the Harbor District and Adam for their efforts to bring together all sides on this contentious issue.

**NON-AGENDA:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A. CONSIDERATION OF SIXTH EXTENSION AND AMENDMENT OF AGREEMENT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL LONSHORE AND WAREHOUSE UNION, AFL-CIO, LOCAL 14, UNIT A.**

This item was tabled.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTING FOR FILING PERMIT 11-01 FOR TAYLOR MARICULTURE LLC FOR THE TAYLOR MARICULTURE BERTH 2 FACILITY.**

COMMISSIONER PELLEGRINI MOVED FOR THE APPROVAL OF ACCEPTING AND FILING PERMIT 11-01 FOR TAYLOR MARICULTURE LLC FOR THE TAYLOR MARICULTURE BERTH 2 FACILITY. COMMISSIONER WILSON SECONDED.

Paul Taylor thanked CEO and staff for their assistance with this project. He said shellfish seed will be grown at Berth 2 in order to further the constant supply of needs of local shellfish growers. This project should create about 12 jobs.

Commissioner Wilson said he has heard concerns with the future uses of the site; but is confident that this will be a successful project.

MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

**B. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

COMMISSIONER PELLEGRINI MOVED FOR A SLATE OF NOMINATIONS: PRESIDENT – COMMISSIONER WILSON; VICE PRESIDENT – COMMISSIONER MARKS; SECRETARY – COMMISSIONER PELLEGRINI. COMMISSIONER MARKS SECONDED.

COMMISSIONER PELLEGRINI MOVED TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS. COMMISSIONER WILSON SECONDED.

MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

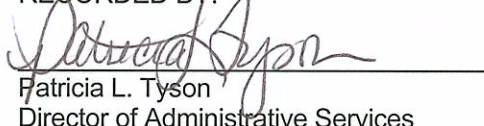
ADMINISTRATIVE AND EMERGENCY PERMITS: None

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

  
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Ronnie Pellegrini  
Secretary

RECORDED BY:

  
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Patricia L. Tyson  
Director of Administrative Services