

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

September 10, 2026

The Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District met in regular session on the above date, Closed Session met at 5:30 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 – 5:35 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. Terms of lease of real property in Fields Landing, Humboldt County, with Assessor's Parcel Numbers, 307-101-002 California pursuant to California Government Code § 54956.8. District negotiators: Chris Mikkelsen, Executive Director and Ryan Plotz, District Counsel. Negotiating party: Tod Reincke aka Reincke Marine Fabrication. Under negotiation: price and payment terms.

REGULAR SESSION – 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: BENSON
DALE
KULLMANN
NEWMAN
NORTON

ABSENT: NONE

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: Rod Gonzales (pertaining to Agenda Item 10a).

CONSENT CALENDAR

- a) Adopt Minutes for Regular Board Meeting on August 13, 2026
- b) Approve Purchase Order 2489 for the Pacific Offshore Wind Summit
- c) Approve Purchase Order 2491 for Gelinas James

- d) Approve Employment Agreement for Natural Resources Coordinator
 - e) Approve Lease Amendment for US Coast Guard
- COMMISSIONER NORTON MOVED TO ACCEPT CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS A-E.
COMMISSIONER DALE SECONDED.
ROLL CALL VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.
- Ayes: BENSON, DALE, KULLMANN, NEWMAN, NORTON
Noes: NONE
Absent: NONE
Abstain: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- a) Correspondence Received
 - I. None
- b) Executive Director's Report
 - I. Executive Director presented Executive Director's report.
- c) Staff Reports
 - I. Staff presented a report.
- d) District Counsel Report
 - I. No report.
- e) District Treasurer Report
 - I. No report.
- f) District Engineer Report
 - I. District Engineer presented a report.
- g) District Planner Report
 - I. District Planner presented a 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. District staff presented the item.
 - II. The Commission discussed the item.
 - III. Chair Kullmann opened the item to public comment. Eron Gonzales, and Tina Manos commented.
 - IV. Chair Kullmann moved the discussion back to the Commission.
 - V. Discussion item only, no formal action was taken.

NEW BUSINESS

- a) **Receive a Special Presentation from the Schatz Energy Research Center at Cal Poly Humboldt titled Humboldt Bay Shellfish Mariculture Business Survey: Assessing Economic Conditions and Contributions**

- I. Tanner Etherton of Schatz Energy Research Center and California Sea Grant 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.

b) Consider Adopting Resolution 2026-10, A Resolution Affirming the Humboldt Bay Harbor District's Commitment to Support the Sustainability of Humboldt Bay Mariculture Operations

- I. Executive Director presented the item.
- II. The Commission discussed the item.
- III. Chair Kullmann opened the item to public comment. Jennifer Kalt and Jane Madsen commented.
- IV. Chair Kullmann moved the discussion back to the Commission.

COMMISSIONER NEWMAN MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2026-10, A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE HUMBOLDT BAY HARBOR DISTRICT'S COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT THE SUSTAINABILITY OF HUMBOLDT BAY MARICULTURE OPERATIONS.
COMMISSIONER DALE SECONDED.

COMMISSIONER NEWMAN MODIFIED HIS MOTION TO ADD LANGUAGE REGARDING POSITIVE IMPACTS THROUGH MITIGATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION COMPONENTS.

COMMISSIONER DALE SECONDED.

ROLL CALL VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

Ayes: BENSON, DALE, KULLMANN, NEWMAN, NORTON

Noes: NONE

Absent: NONE

Abstain: NONE

c) Authorize the Executive Director to Negotiate and Execute a Contract with the Northern California Indian Development Council to assist the District in Engaging Tribal Governments and Tribal Organizations in Planning and Design Activities Associated with the 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.

COMMISSIONER NEWMAN MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA INDIAN DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL TO ASSIST THE DISTRICT IN ENGAGING TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS AND TRIBAL ORGANIZATIONS IN PLANNING AND DESIGN ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE HEAVY LIFT MARINE TERMINAL PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER DALE SECONDED.

ROLL CALL VOTE WAS CALLED, MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT DISSENT.

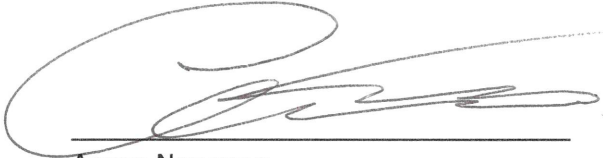
Ayes: BENSON, DALE, KULLMANN, NEWMAN, NORTON

Adopted Minutes for September 10, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

Noes: NONE
Absent: NONE
Abstain: NONE

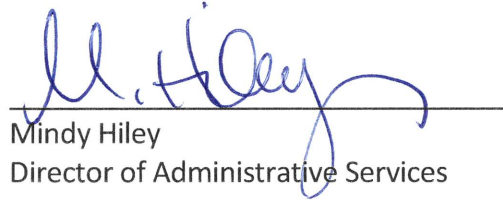
ADJOURNMENT – 7:39 P.M.

APPROVED BY:

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Aaron Newman
Secretary of the Board of Commissioners

RECORDED BY:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mindy Hiley', written over a horizontal line.

Mindy Hiley
Director of Administrative Services