Special Emergency Meeting of January 11, 2017

Santa Cruz Port Commission
EMERGENCY MEETING MINUTES

Commissioners Present:
Toby Goddard Chairman
Dennis Smith Vice-Chairman
Reed Geisreiter Commissioner
Stephen Reed Commissioner

Commissioners Absent:
Darren Gertler Commissioner

EMERGENCY SESSION – 3:30 PM

Chairman Goddard brought the emergency meeting to order at 3:34 PM at the Santa Cruz Harbor Office Conference Room, 135 5th Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95062.

1. Approval of Resolution 17-01 – Declaring an Emergency at Santa Cruz Harbor

Discussion: Port Director Ekers stated that the purpose of this emergency meeting is to declare a disaster / emergency, as a result of the severe storms and flooding that occurred earlier in the month. Port Director Ekers stated that the preliminary damage estimate is approximately $12 million.

The $12 million damage estimate is generated from the following:

- Channel damage / shoaling
- North harbor shoaling (preliminary estimate at 12,000 cubic yards of material)
- Damage to pilings (will be inspecting 308 piles, not currently permitted for replacement)
- Damage to seawalls
- Debris removal
- Beach erosion

Port Director Ekers stated that if an emergency declaration is filed by the State of California, the Port District could be able to recover 75% of eligible costs for response and recovery. A federal declaration would increase the District’s recovery rate to approximately 94% of eligible costs.

MOTION: Motion made by Commissioner Geisreiter, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve Resolution 17-01 – Declaration of Emergency.
- Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Gertler absent.

Chairman Goddard adjourned the emergency meeting at 3:58 pm.

Toby Goddard, Chairman