

CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, October 19, 2023 1:00 PM

1. OPENING

A. Call to Order

President Dean called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

President Dean led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Establishment of Quorum

A quorum was established.

Directors present: Karen Dean, Tom Gray, Harry Farmer, Debra Scott, and Michael Thomas.

Staff present: General Manager Matthew McElhenie, Administrative Department Manager Denise Fritz, Confidential Administrative Assistant Haley Dodson, Utilities Department Manager Jim Green, Wastewater Operator Toni Artho, Facilities & Resources Manager David Aguirre, and Water Operator Steven Meeks.

Staff present via Zoom: District Counsel Timothy Carmel, Interim Fire Chief Michael Burkey, and Wastewater Systems Superintendent John Allchin.

D. Report from Closed Session

President Dean stated that there is no report from closed session because there hasn't been a closed session since the last report.

E. President's Report

There was no President's Report.

F. Agenda Review

President Dean asked for any changes to the agenda. There were none.

2. BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Vice President Gray announced the response from the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) regarding a possible conflict of interest with his participation in the proposed pool project on the East Ranch Community Park because of his role as a director for the Cambrians for Aquatics. The FPPC's reply stated there was no conflict.

Director Farmer stated Cambria is blessed to have the nature world around us and a Land Conservancy. They are having an Art and Adventure Auction on Saturday, October 21, 2023 at Stolo Vineyards. He announced that the Chumash Heritage National Marine Sanctuary is in the process of being created along the Central Coast of California.

Public Comment:
Tina Dickason, Cambria

3. PUBLIC SAFETY

A. Sheriff's Department Report

Commander Stuart MacDonald provided a brief report of recent Sheriff's Department activities in Cambria for September.

B. CCSD Fire Chief's Report

Interim Fire Chief Michael Burkey provided a brief report of recent Fire Department activities in Cambria for September.

Public Comment:
Christine Heinrichs, Cambria

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment:
Christine Heinrichs, Cambria
Donald Archer, Cambria (the Confidential Administrative Assistant read a written comment into the record)
Cheryl McDowell, Cambria (the Confidential Administrative Assistant read a written comment into the record)
Tina Dickason, Cambria

5. MANAGER REPORTS

A. General Manager's Report

General Manager McElhenie provided a summary of the General Manager's Report.

Public Comment:
Christine Heinrichs, Cambria
Tina Dickason, Cambria
Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria

B. Facilities & Resources Manager's Report

Facilities & Resources Manager Aguirre provided a report.

C. Finance Manager's Report

Administrative Department Manager Fritz provided a summary of the Finance Manager's Report.

D. Utilities Report

Utilities Department Manager Green provided a summary of the Utilities Report.

Wastewater Operator Artho provided a summary of the Wastewater Report.

Water Operator Meeks provided a summary of the Water Report.

Public Comment:

Christine Heinrichs, Cambria

Tina Dickason, Cambria

The Board of Directors took a break at 2:43 p.m.

The Board of Directors reconvened the meeting at 2:53 p.m.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consideration to Adopt the September 2023 Expenditure Report

B. Consideration to Adopt the September 14, 2023 and September 21, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes and September 7, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes

Vice President Gray would like to correct the September 21, 2023 meeting minutes where there's a statement included on page 64 and 65. He suggested changing the section to first person singular because this was President Dean's written statement. He suggested changing "she" to "I" and adding quotation marks to the paragraph.

Public Comment:

Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria

Tina Dickason, Cambria

Vice President Gray moved to approve the consent agenda with the revisions to the minutes as noted.

Director Scott seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Unanimously Ayes – 5 Nays - 0 Absent – 0

7. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Receive Report from Ad Hoc Committee on Future Use and Funding for the Veterans' Hall

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

Vice President Gray also provided a summary.

Public Comment:

Tina Dickason, Cambria

Christine Heinrichs, Cambria

Tony Safford, Cambria (the Confidential Administrative Assistant read a written comment into the record)

B. Discussion and Consideration of Adoption of Resolution 55-2023 Continuing Work Under Emergency Contracts for the East-West Village Transmission Line Emergency Repair Project Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22050 or Resolution 56-2023 Terminating the Emergency Action

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

Utilities Department Manager Green also provided a summary.

Public Comment:
Tina Dickason, Cambria

Vice President Gray moved to adopt Resolution 55-2023 continuing work under emergency contracts for the East-West Village Transmission Line Emergency Repair Project pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22050.

Director Farmer seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Unanimously Ayes – 5 Nays - 0 Absent – 0

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S)

President Dean asked for any future agenda items.

Mrs. Dodson announced the future agenda items for the November Board meetings.

9. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

- A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)
Title: General Manager**

President Dean asked for public comment on item 9A.

Public Comment:
Tina Dickason, Cambria (commented on future agenda items)

President Dean adjourned the meeting at 3:48 p.m.

For further details on the CCSD meeting, please visit the District's website to review the meeting recording or visit SLO-Span's website: <https://slo-span.org/static/meetings-CCSD.php>. CCSD's written comments can be reviewed on the District's meeting webpage.