

CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, May 21, 2020 2:00 PM

1. OPENING

A. Call to Order

President Farmer called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

President Farmer asked the Board of Directors and staff to recite America the Beautiful.

C. Establishment of Quorum

A quorum was established.

Directors present via Zoom: Harry Farmer, Cindy Steidel, Amanda Rice, David Pierson and Donn Howell.

Staff present via Zoom: General Manager John F. Weigold IV, District Counsel Timothy Carmel, Fire Chief William Hollingsworth, Finance Manager Pamela Duffield, Facilities & Resources Supervisor Carlos Mendoza, Utilities Department Manager/District Engineer Ray Dienzo and Deputy District Clerk Haley Dodson.

D. Agenda Review: Additions/Deletions

President Farmer asked for any additions or deletions.

President Farmer would like to move regular business item 7C to the first item on regular business and 7A will be moved to 7C.

The Board of Directors agreed to move 7C to 7A and 7A to 7C.

2. PUBLIC SAFETY

A. Sheriff's Department Report

Commander Nelson provided a summary of recent activities in Cambria.

B. CCSD Fire Chief's Report

Chief Hollingsworth provided a summary on the Coronavirus pandemic and recent activities in Cambria.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment:
Tina Dickason, Cambria
Ted Key, Cambria

4. BOARD MEMBER, COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

A. President's Report

President Farmer acknowledged the various organizations and businesses that continue to meet the food needs of the economically challenged in the community. He discussed a rent and mortgage relief fund. He stated the County of San Luis Obispo Mobile Unit will be at the Veterans' Memorial Hall on June 1st and 2nd for COVID-19 testing.

B. Finance Committee's Report

Vice President Steidel reported on the recent Finance Committee. They reviewed the rate increase and provided a recommendation to the Board of Directors.

C. Policy Committee's Report

Director Howell stated the Policy Committee has not had a meeting since the last Board meeting. The Policy Committee will meet next Friday, May 29, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.

D. Resources & Infrastructure Committee's Report

Director Pierson reported on the recent Resources & Infrastructure Committee meeting. They discussed the UWMP consultant contract. Committee and staff have produced an updated CIP list. He provided a written report to include with the minutes. He gave a report on the various ad hoc committees. There will be an IGA update at the June Resources & Infrastructure Committee meeting. He suggested the Directors consider attending the CDSA's Developing a Groundwater Sustainability Program on-demand webinar. The webinar is \$55. He would like a future agenda item to allow Directors to charge the \$55 to the District.

E. Other Liaison Reports and Ad Hoc Committee Reports

Director Pierson reported on the recent NCAC meeting. They have new board members and officers. Bruce Gibson gave a report on the updated COVID restrictions in San Luis Obispo County and allowing in-house dining and retail sales. For more information, visit readyslo.org. The Fire Safe Focus Group will hold a meeting on June 10, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom. They are preparing for a chipping day.

Director Rice reported on the recent Coastal Development Permit (CDP) Ad Hoc Committee meetings. The project description will be brought to the Board and public for review.

Director Pierson suggested rescheduling the special meeting to June 25, 2020 so staff has more time to prepare the project description.

President Farmer stated the special meeting was moved to June 25, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

President Farmer reported on the recent Forest Committee meeting. They discussed undeveloped parcels and how to obtain funding to find an impartial expert to assess the health of the forest. He reported on the recent FFRP meeting. The ranch manager has been cutting down dead trees. They received over \$20k from the Fire Safe Council for tree removal. The goal was to remedy any hazards and use wood chips for the dog park. Staff has mowed the trails three times and removed invasive plants. They are looking for volunteers at the north and south entrances of the ranch to remind individuals of social distancing.

They also discussed financial asset management.

Vice President Steidel reported on Reviewing the Strategic Planning and Affordable Housing Ad Hoc Committee reports.

Public Comment:
Tina Dickason

5. MANAGER'S REPORT

A. General Management Report

Mr. Weigold provided a summary of the General Management Report.

Public Comment:
Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria

B. Finance Manager's Report

Ms. Duffield provided a summary of the Finance Manager's Report.

Public Comment:
Tina Dickason, Cambria

C. Utilities Report

Mr. Dienzo provided a summary of the Utilities Report.

Public Comment:
Tina Dickason, Cambria

6. CONSENT AGENDA

A. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT THE APRIL 2020 EXPENDITURE REPORT

B. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT THE APRIL 6, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES AND APRIL 16, 2020 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

C. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-2020 DECLARING A CONTINUED LOCAL EMERGENCY IN THE CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

D. CONSIDERATION TO EXTEND PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNICIAN II - SUPPORT TO DISTRICT ENGINEER

Director Rice moved to approve the consent agenda.

Vice President Steidel seconded the motion.

President Farmer asked to pull 6D from the consent agenda and discuss it during regular business.

Ms. Duffield provided clarification on 6D.

Public Comment:

Tina Dickason

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

The Board took a break at 3:56 p.m. and reconvened at 4:00 p.m.

7. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION TO REVISE THE DISTRICT'S MISSION STATEMENT

Mr. Weigold introduced the item and provided a summary.

The Board of Directors reached consensus to table this item to a future meeting.

B. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING CONSULTING SERVICES WITH SNIDER AND ASSOCIATES

Mr. Weigold introduced the item and turned it over to District Counsel, who provided a summary.

Public Comment:

Christine Heinrichs, Cambria

Vice President Steidel moved to approve an Agreement for Consulting Services with Snider and Associates for Strategic Planning Consulting Services and authorize the General Manager to execute the agreement.

Director Pierson seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Ayes – 4 (Steidel, Pierson, Rice, Farmer), Nay – 1 (Howell), Absent – 0

C. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 22-2020 APPROVING WATER, SUSTAINABLE WATER FACILITY AND SEWER RATE INCREASES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020 AS PRESCRIBED IN RESOLUTION 27-2018 AND 29-2019 IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROPOSITION 218 ACTIONS

Mr. Weigold introduced the item and turned it over to District Counsel, who provided a summary.

Public Comment:

Scott Anderson, Cambria (the Deputy District Clerk read the written comment into the record)

Joe and Julie Barnett, Cambria (the Deputy District Clerk read the written comment into the record)

Ted Key, Cambria

Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria

Christine Heinrichs, Cambria

Tina Dickason, Cambria

Director Pierson moved to adopt Resolution 22-2020 approving Water, Sustainable Water Facility (SWF) and Sewer rate increases and to suspend the rate increase for one billing period so that they go into effect on September 1, 2020.

Director Howell seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Ayes – 3 (Pierson, Howell, Steidel), Nays – 2 (Rice, Farmer), Absent – 0

Director Pierson moved to extend the meeting to 6:00 p.m.

Vice President Steidel seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Ayes – 4 (Pierson, Howell, Farmer, Steidel), Nay – 1 (Rice), Absent – 0

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S)

President Farmer asked for any future agenda items.

Director Pierson suggested the Board direct John Weigold to address cost cutting measures that might be needed in the general and enterprise funds when the budget is brought back next month. He would like to see a list of things to consider tabling for awhile to save the District money.

Director Rice suggesting adding closed session to evaluate District Counsel and the General Manager in June.

President Farmer stated District Counsel's evaluation will be on the June 11th agenda and the General Manager's evaluation will be on the June 18th agenda.

Director Howell suggested discussing and considering reactivating the Ad Hoc Committee to look at water rates.

9. ADJOURN

President Farmer adjourned the meeting at 5:42 p.m.