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CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

MINUTES OF JUNE 11, 2026, REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

The Cambria Community Services District Board of Directors held a regular meeting on Thursday, June 11, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. at the Cambria Veterans' Memorial Hall, 1000 Main Street, Cambria, CA 93428.

1. OPENING

1.A Call to Order

President Farmer called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

1.B Pledge of Allegiance

President Farmer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.C Establishment of Quorum

A quorum was established.

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

Directors present via Zoom: Karen Dean.

President Farmer stated that Vice President Dean will be participating remotely pursuant to Government Code section 54953 under the 'just cause' provisions. A quorum of the Board is physically present at the posted meeting location within the District's jurisdiction, which is open to the public. The meeting is being conducted in a manner that provides public access and opportunity to comment, and all votes will be taken by roll call.

Vice President Dean stated she is participating remotely pursuant to Government Code section 54953 due to just cause, specifically because of a contagious illness that prevents her in-person attendance. She does have someone over the age of 18 present. Her husband, Allan, will be in the next room as an attendee, on his own personal device.

Staff present: General Manager Matthew McElhenie, Administrative Department Manager Denise Fritz, Confidential Administrative Assistant Haley Dodson, Fire Chief Michael Burkey, Utilities Department Manager Jim Green, Facilities & Resources Manager David Aguirre, Fire Captains Michael Castellanos and Craig Brooks, Firefighter Drew Kanner and SAFER Firefighter Henry Wright.

Staff present via Zoom: District Counsel Timothy Carmel and Program Manager Tristan Reaper.

1.D Report from Closed Session

District Counsel stated that at the May 29, 2026 special meeting, the Board held a Closed Session for a conference with its labor negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6. No action was taken. There's nothing to report.

1.E President's Report

President Farmer stated that Jim Dantona is attending the meeting.

Jim Dantona provided a brief introduction.

1.F Agenda Review

President Farmer asked if there were any changes to the agenda.

General Manager McElhenie asked to move the Utilities Report up. The Board agreed.

2. BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Director Thomas apologized for missing the May 14 meeting due to his granddaughter's graduation and also apologized for the nine-minute delay this morning while retrieving his iPad.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Christine Heinrichs, Cambria

4. PUBLIC SAFETY

4.A Sheriff's Department Report

Commander Habbas provided a Sheriff's Department Report.

Public Comment: none

4.B California Highway Patrol (CHP) Report

Commander Gennuso provided a California Highway Patrol (CHP) Report.

Public Comment: none

4.C CCSD Fire Chief's Report

Fire Chief Burkey provided a report on the Fire Department's recent activities in Cambria for May.

Public Comment: none.

The Board of Directors moved to the Utilities Report 8D.

5. REGULAR BUSINESS

5.A Receive a Presentation Regarding Desalination Executable Solution and Logistics (DESAL) Plan

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

The Board of Directors held a discussion.

Public Comment:
Ted Siegler, Cambria

The Board of Directors took a break at 11:26 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:32 a.m.

5.B Discussion Regarding the Updated Fiscalini Ranch Public Access & Resource Management Plan

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

The Board of Directors held a discussion.

Public Comment:
Thomas Loganbill, Cambria
Ted Siegler, Cambria
Crosby Swartz, Cambria

On June 11, 2026, the Board of Directors asked Director Thomas to provide his comments on the plan to the Ad Hoc Committee and staff, and directed staff to post the comments on the website, review Director Thomas' additional revisions with the FFRP Ad Hoc Committee, and return the item to the Board for consideration and adoption.

5.C Discussion and Consideration to Appoint an Ad Hoc Committee to Work with the Friends of the Fiscalini Ranch on Budgeting Based on the Fiscalini Ranch Public Access and Resource Management Plan

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

Director Scott and Vice President Dean provided a summary.

The Board of Directors held a discussion.

Public Comment:
Ted Siegler, Cambria

Director Gray moved that the Board appoint an Ad Hoc Committee to work with the Friends of the Fiscalini Ranch on budgeting based on the Fiscalini Ranch Public Access and Resource Management Plan and that the committee consist of Vice President Dean and Director Scott.

Vice President Dean seconded the motion.

Director Thomas requested an amendment to include continuing the Ad Hoc Committee for this additional scope.

Director Gray stated he'll accept the amendment.

Vice President Dean stated they will continue the Ad Hoc Committee because of the current work regarding Director Thomas' changes that he's asking for, but they are going to expand the Ad Hoc Committee's responsibility to work with FFRP on budgeting.

Director Gray stated the best wording would be to update the responsibilities of the current Fiscalini Ranch Ad Hoc Committee to include working with FFRP on budgeting based on the Fiscalini Ranch Public Access and Resource Management Plan.

Motion Passed Unanimously Ayes – 5 (Farmer, Dean, Gray, Scott & Thomas) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

The Board of Directors took a lunch break at 12:12 p.m. and reconvened at 12:50 p.m.

5.D Review and Discussion of a Will-Serve Letter for Existing Water Commitment APN: 023.131.014

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

The Board of Directors held a discussion.

Public Comment:
Christine Heinrichs, Cambria
Christina Galloway, Cambria (also submitted a written comment for the record)

5.E Discussion and Consideration to Appoint an Ad Hoc Committee to Evaluate Cambria Fire Department Funding Needs and Revenue Measure Options

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

The Board of Directors held a discussion.

Public Comment: none.

President Farmer appointed Directors Gray and Scott to an Ad Hoc Committee.

5.F Discussion and Consideration to Approve a Contract with Tough Automation for the Lift Station B Controls Upgrade Project

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

The Board of Directors held a discussion.

Public Comment: none.

Director Thomas moved to approve the contract with Tough Automation for the Lift Station B Controls Upgrade Project.

Vice President Dean seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Unanimously Ayes – 5 (Farmer, Dean, Gray, Scott & Thomas) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

6. CONSENT AGENDA

6.A Consideration to Adopt the May 2026 Expenditure Report

6.B Consideration to Adopt the May 14, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes and May 29, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes

6.C Consideration of Approval to Extend the Agreement for Consultant Services with Moss, Levy & Hartzheim for Professional Auditing Services in Performance of the District's FY 25/26 Audit

6.D Consideration of Approval of the District's 2026-2027 Annual Water Supply Demand Assessment Report

6.E Consideration of Adoption of Resolution 30 -2026 Approving the Updated Management and Confidential Employees (MCE) Group Payment & Compensation Plan

6.F Consideration of Adoption of Resolution 31-2026 Amending the CCSD Salary Schedule

6.G Consideration to Approve a Letter of Support to the Highway 1 Tourism Alliance, Inc. and Cambria Local Advisory Board Regarding Recent Cambria Veterans Memorial Hall Renovations

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

The Board of Directors held a discussion.

Public Comment: none.

Director Gray moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

Vice President Dean seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Unanimously Ayes – 5 (Farmer, Dean, Gray, Scott & Thomas) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

7. HEARINGS AND APPEALS

7.A Public Hearing and Discussion Regarding the Status of District Job Vacancies and Recruitment and Retention Efforts in Accordance with Assembly Bill 2561

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

President Farmer opened the Public Hearing.

The Board of Directors held a discussion.

Public Comment:
Nicole Bryant, Field Representative for SEIU Local 620 (submitted a written comment for the record)
Michael Castellanos, IAFF Local 4635 President (submitted a written comment for the record)
Christine Heinrichs, Cambria

President Farmer closed the Public Hearing.

7.B Public Hearing to Discuss and Consider Adoption of Resolution 25-2026 Approving the CCSD Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 and Resolution 26-2026 Establishing the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Appropriations Limit

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

Administrative Department Manager Fritz provided a detailed summary.

President Farmer opened the Public Hearing.

The Board of Directors held a discussion.

Public Comment: none.

President Farmer closed the Public Hearing.

Director Thomas moved to adopt Resolution 25-2026, approving the CCSD Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, and Resolution 26-2026, establishing the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Appropriations Limit.

Director Scott seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Unanimously Ayes – 5 (Farmer, Dean, Gray, Scott & Thomas) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

The Board of Directors took a break at 2:59 and reconvened the meeting at 3:06 p.m.

7.C Public Hearing to Discuss and Consider Adoption of Resolution 27-2026 Confirming the Itemized Report to Collect Delinquent Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Charges on the County Tax Rolls

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

President Farmer opened the Public Hearing.

The Board of Directors held a discussion.

Public Comment: none.

President Farmer closed the Public Hearing.

Director Gray moved to adopt Resolution 27-2026, confirming the Itemized Report to collect Delinquent Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Charges on the County Tax Rolls, and waive further reading.

Vice President Dean seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Unanimously Ayes – 5 (Farmer, Dean, Gray, Scott & Thomas) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

7.D Public Hearing to Discuss and Consider Adoption of Resolution 28-2026 Confirming the 2025 Fire Hazard Fuel Reduction Program Itemized Cost Report of the Cambria Community Services District

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

President Farmer opened the Public Hearing.

The Board of Directors held a discussion.

Public Comment: none.

President Farmer closed the Public Hearing.

Director Gray moved to adopt Resolution 28-2026, confirming the 2025 Fire Hazard Fuel Reduction Program Itemized Cost Report of the Cambria Community Services District, and waive further reading.

Director Scott seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Unanimously Ayes – 5 (Farmer, Dean, Gray, Scott & Thomas) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

7.E Public Hearing to Discuss and Consider Adoption of Resolution 29-2026 Approving a Fire Suppression Benefit Assessment Consumer Price Index (CPI) Adjustment at the Rate of 2.8% for FY 2026/2027

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

President Farmer opened the Public Hearing.

The Board of Directors held a discussion.

Public Comment: none.

President Farmer closed the Public Hearing.

Director Gray moved to adopt Resolution 29-2026 approving a Fire Suppression Benefit Assessment Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustment at the rate of 2.8% for FY 2026/2027, and waive further reading.

Vice President Dean seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Unanimously Ayes – 5 (Farmer, Dean, Gray, Scott & Thomas) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

8. MANAGER REPORTS

8.A General Manager's Report

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

Public Comment:
Christine Heinrichs, Cambria

8.B Facilities & Resources Manager's Report

Facilities & Resources Manager Aguirre provided a Facilities & Resources Manager's Report.

Public Comment: none.

8.C Finance Manager's Report

Administrative Department Manager Fritz provided a Finance Manager's Report.

Public Comment: none.

8.D Utilities Report

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

Public Comment:
Christine Heinrichs, Cambria

9. BOARD MEMBER, COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

9.A Finance Committee's Report

A written report was included in the agenda packet.

9.B Fire Protection Committee's Report

There was no Fire Protection Committee meeting in May.

9.C PROS Committee's Report

There was no PROS Committee meeting in May.

9.D Resources & Infrastructure Committee's Report

A written report was included in the agenda packet.

9.E Other Liaison Reports & Ad Hoc Committee Reports

Written reports were included in the agenda packet.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S)

President Farmer asked for any future agenda items.

Public comment:
Christine Heinrichs, Cambria
Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria

Confidential Administrative Assistant Dodson announced the items for the July Board meetings.

Director Scott requested a discussion and consideration for direction for Ms. Fritz about looking into how to make the budget document more transparent and better by separating the operational accounts from the capital accounts.

Director Gray also requested in the narrative a high-level comparison for this year to show trends, not line items.

11. ADJOURN

President Farmer adjourned the meeting at 3:57 p.m.

For further details on the CCSD meeting, please visit the District’s website.