

Parks, Recreation and Open Space Commission

(PROS)

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, February 1, 2022 - 10:00 AM

MINUTES

1. OPENING

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Kniffen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

B. ESTABLISH QUORUM

A quorum was established.

Present – Commissioners Johansson, Atencio, Kniffen, Cooper, Renshaw, Bahringer and Lord.

Staff Present – General Manager John Weigold was absent, Facilities and Resources Supervisor Carlos Mendoza was present, Board Secretary Ossana Terterian was present part of the time.

C. CHAIR REPORT: None

D. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS:

Commissioner Johansson attended the CCSD board meeting that dealt with Goals and Objectives for the year 2022. He was impressed with how hard the board worked.

2. EX - OFFICIO REPORTS

A. Friends of the Fiscalini Ranch Report:

Friends of Fiscalini Ranch Report given by its Director, Kitty Connolly, was as follows:

1. With the help of 18 volunteers, and a total of 71 hours a 100 feet of ice plant was removed on the Bluff Trail.
2. Mustard and Thistle were also removed.
3. On Martin Luther Kings day a dedicated group of volunteers watered, weeded and pruned the trees at the dog park and planted some small trees.
4. Kikuyu grass was cut back on each side of the broad walks.
5. New, Do not remove plants, signs were placed at the entrances to the Ranch. This is due to the continued removal of Mushrooms on the Ranch.
6. Our brochure holders are being stolen at the entrances to the Ranch.
7. Four new docent walks are planned for February. Please see them listed on the website.
8. We are working with Camp Ocean Pines and their trails program. Brian Morgan has taken their leaders on trail walks acquainting them with the trails that can be used.

9. Applied for Prop 68 monies to build the ADA trail connecting the Bluff Trail to the Marlborough trail. The amount applied for is \$383,600. This is a Per Capital grant.

B. Skate Cambria

Julie Amodei who now sits as an Ex-Officio member for Skate Cambria report was as follows:

1. She was pleased with the telephone conference held January 28 with two Directors of the CCSD board, Karen Dean and Harry Farmer. Dick Clark was also on the Call and Cambria Community Council ironing out the financial details between Skate Cambria and CCSD and District's lawyer David Hirsh. She feels they are moving forward. Director Farmer added that they will present their documentation: how the skate park is to be funded which involves the design, construction and maintenance to the CCSD board at their February meeting. The documentation is the result of the phone call.
2. March 12 is a big day. From 12-4 a gathering will be held in the Vet's Hall parking. Purpose: to learn more about the skate park, talk to famous skaters from all over, buy from skate vendors and be presented with the Capital Campaign package.
3. Well - known skater, Nija, stopped by Cambria on January 28th. He posed with the poster at the old skate park and told his 5 million "instagramers", Build this Park.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT NOT ON THE AGENDA: NONE

4. FACILITIES AND RESOURCES SUPERVISOR:

Facilities and Resources Supervisor, Carlos Mendoza, report was as follows:

1. Part of the Vet's hall roof is going out for bids to be replaced. The roof is over the Legion's kitchen. \$15,000 has been allocated for its replacement.
2. A keyless system has been ordered for the front doors to the Vet's hall. This is a code system and will make things easier for people who rent the hall. They will no longer have to go and pick up and return the key. It will be installed sometime in March.
3. The three trees that were threatening homes have been approved by the County to be removed. Cost \$8,000 as it has been outsourced to a tree cutting company.
4. One tree which is leaning towards a house at the Tipton Entrance to the Ranch, will be cut down by the CCSD staff thus saving some money. It still involves staff time and equipment.
5. The Street light that was destroyed by a hit and run driver has been ordered from Canada. There will be a 3-6 month wait as it has to be manufactured. CCSD's insurance will reimburse for the cost minus \$1,000 deductible. Repairs are being made on other street lights. Many were out of bulbs and a few lights had glass broken by rocks. Carlos is having plexiglass cut for replacements.
6. The Homeless have now taken over the underpass of the Santa Rosa Bridge. Cars with overnighters has become a "thing" at the Santa Rosa Turn off. The homeless are also along highway 1 on Cal Trans property. Carlos has alerted Cal trans and the sheriff and they are taking measures.

5. CONSENT AGENDA (Estimated time: 15 Minutes)

A. Consideration to Approve the Minutes from the Special Meeting Held on January 4, 2022

Commissioner Bahringer moved to approve the January 4, 2022 special meeting minutes.

Commissioner Atencio seconded the motion.

All approved.

6. REGULAR BUSINESS

- A. Discuss the Status of Commissioner Teri Lord and Perhaps Designate an Alternate Member: Teri wants to remain on the board. She has had health issues. There was some question about who the official and alternate members are on PROS. This information will be obtained from Ossana and reported back at the next meeting. Elizabeth Bettenhausen offered a public comment at this point.
- B. Receive Update on the Cambria Skatepark:
Ray Dienzo reported that he is waiting for the Board's permission to go ahead with the permit for the Skate Park.
- C. Receive Update on the East Ranch Restroom Project: He also reported that he is moving along with the application for the permit on the Bathroom. He anticipates being able to submit it by the end of the week.
- D. Discussion Regarding Trails, Bikes and hiking

A long discussion was held on possible bike trails presented by Commissioner Johannson. He had a meeting with Aaron Linn and Justin Smith. They really do not know where to go next. Commissioner Johannson is concerned about the lots that CCSD owns and can they be used as bike trails. Suggestions were made to start with the traffic committee at NCAC and perhaps the County Parks and Recreation Department. He asked Carlos for an updated map of the CCSD Properties and Carlos will see that it gets put on CCSD agenda.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Commissioner Kniffen asked for any future agenda items. Now that a consultant will not be hired as per the CCSD board direction, a future item might be: What should we use the 20,000 for that is now back in our budget?.

8. ADJOURN

Chair Commissioner Kniffen adjourned the meeting at 11:23 A.M.