Approved on 11/19/2026

MINUTES OF AUGUST 20, 2026, REGULAR FIRE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

A regular meeting of the Fire Protection Committee of the Cambria Community Services District was held at the Cambria Veterans' Memorial Hall, located at 1000 Main Street, Cambria, CA 93428, on Thursday, August 20, 2026, at 10:30 a.m.

1. OPENING

1.A Call to Order

Chairperson Gray called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

1.B Establishment of Quorum

A quorum was established.

Committee members present: Art Chapman, Gordon Heinrichs and Bruno Gonzalez;

Wendi Torrell on video. Tony Safford was absent .

Staff present: General Manager Matthew McElhenie, Fire Chief Michael Burkey and Administrative Department Manager Denise Fritz.

1.C Chair Report: Wendy Torell was introduced as a new committee member; she

read a statement explaining her absence due to illness.

Tony Stafford had an excused absence and was unable to attend remotely.

1.D Committee Member and Staff Communications:

Art Chapman notified the Committee that he will be moving and will not be seeking another term on the Committee.

1.E Ad Hoc Committee Reports: Gordon Heinrichs reported working with staff to go over prioritizing the budget to make a list of needs.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: no public comment was made.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.A Consideration to Approve the January 13, 2026, Special Meeting Minutes, January 15,

2026 Regular Meeting Minutes and April 16, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes:

Committee Members moved to accept minutes, with language to indicate no formal action was taken at the April 16, 2026, meeting due to lack of a quorum.

Gordon Heinrichs made motion to accept.

Art Chapman - seconded the motion.

The motion was approved: 4-Ayes; 0-Nays; 0-Abstain; 1-Absent

4. REGULAR BUSINESS

4.A Receive Presentation Regarding Public Opinion Research and Polling for Potential Fire Protection Revenue Measure.

Presentation was made by consultant at MBS.

Cost was discussed - approximately $22,600 for polling services.

Timeline was proposed - looking at fall of 2028.

Questions were asked by various committee members. Types of questions: How many people would be surveyed? How would they be contacted?

Art Chapman moved to accept the presentation.

Gordon Heinrichs seconded.

The motion was approved: 4-Ayes; 0-Nays; 0-Abstain; 1-Absent

Chair Gray asked for a 5 min recess at 11:36 a.m.; meeting was resumed at 11:41 am.

4.B Discussion and Prioritization of Fire Protection Needs

Chair Gray had a survey, prepared as a straw poll, to compare Fire Department priorities with priorities of Committee members and with members' view of the public's priorities. No formal action was taken.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S)

Chair Gray asked for any future agenda items.

Chief Burkey noted that jhe had been tasked to report back on the feasibility of billing for services on non-transport medical calls. He said he was not able to obtain that information at this time and would report findings at a future committee meeting.

Chair Gray said the work of developing a parcel tax proposal would continue at the next Committee meeting, on November 18, 2026.

6. ADJOURN

Chair Gray adjourned the meeting at 12:26 p.m.