

CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, May 19, 2022 1:00 PM

1. OPENING

A. Call to Order

President Howell called the meeting to order at 1:11 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

President Howell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Establishment of Quorum

A quorum was established.

Directors present via Zoom: Donn Howell, Karen Dean, Cindy Steidel, Harry Farmer & Tom Gray.

Staff present via Zoom: General Manager John F. Weigold IV, District Counsel Timothy Carmel, Fire Chief William Hollingsworth, Administrative Department Manager Pamela Duffield, Utilities Department Manager/District Engineer Ray Dienzo, Administrative Analyst – HR & IT Haley Dodson and Board Secretary Leah Reedall.

District Counsel reported from the May 17, 2022 Special Meeting closed session. The Board had a conference with legal counsel regarding potential litigation involving the Notice of Violation (NOV) issued by the Coastal Commission. The District will post its response to the NOV on the District website. There is no action to report.

D. President's Report

President Howell discussed culminating the Prop 218 response.

E. Agenda Review: Additions/Deletions

President Howell asked for any additions or deletions. There were none.

2. BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Director Farmer reported on the presence of residents on site at the Cambria Veterans' Hall.

3. PUBLIC SAFETY

A. Sheriff's Department Report

Sergeant Stuart MacDonald provided the Sheriff's Department Report.

B. CCSD Fire Chief's Report

Chief Hollingsworth provided a report on recent Fire Department activities in Cambria.

Public Comment:
Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

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Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria

5. MANAGER REPORTS

A. General Manager's Report

General Manager Weigold introduced the item and provided a brief summary, followed by a brief summary from Facilities & Resources Manager, Carlos Mendoza.

Public Comment:
Laura Schwartz, Cambria
Scott Anderson, Cambria

B. Finance Manager's Report

Administrative Department Manager Duffield introduced the item and provided a brief summary.

C. Utilities Report

District Engineer Dienzo introduced the item and provided a brief summary.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consideration to Adopt the April 2022 Expenditure Report

B. Consideration to Adopt the April 14, 2022 and April 21, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes and April 21, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes

C. Consideration of Adoption of Resolution 30-2022 Authorizing the Continuance of Remote Teleconference Meetings of the Legislative Bodies of the Cambria Community Services District Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3)

D. Consideration of Adoption of Resolution 31-2022 Regarding the Continued Local State of Emergency Declaration

E. Discussion and Consideration of Approval of Second Amendment to Franchise Agreement for Integrated Solid Waste Management Services with Mission Country Disposal, Inc.

F. Consideration of Appointment of Director Farmer as an Ex Officio Member of the Parks Recreation and Open Space Commission

Director Steidel moved to approve consent agenda items 6A through 6F.

Director Gray seconded the motion.

Public Comment:
Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria

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

President Howell requested a recess at 2:12 p.m. while the protest count was taken.

The Board of Directors reconvened the meeting at 2:26 p.m.

7. HEARINGS AND APPEALS

A. Public Hearing in Accordance with the Requirements of Proposition 218 on the Proposed Increases to Water and Sewer Rates, and Future Annual Inflationary Rate Adjustments to Water, Water Reclamation Facility and Sewer, and Consideration of Adoption of Resolution 32-2022 Establishing Said Rates

General Manager Weigold introduced the item, and financial advisor, Alex Handlers of Bartle Wells & Associates, provided a brief summary.

President Howell opened the public hearing.

Public Comment:
Crosby Schwartz, Cambria
Christine Heinrichs, Cambria

President Howell closed the public hearing.

President Howell acknowledged that Item 7A of the agenda packet was revised prior to the hearing, and District Counsel further noted that the revised Resolution 32-2022, with a corrected exhibit, had been posted to the website, and would also be screenshared during this meeting. President Howell announced a recess at 2:31 p.m., during which time a prima facie count of the Prop 218 protests would be completed by City of Pismo Beach Clerk, Erica Inderlied, as assisted by Program Analyst Melissa Bland.

Director Farmer departed the Cambria Veterans' Hall at approximately 2:41 p.m. during recess, to return to his home for the remainder of the meeting.

City Clerk, Erica Inderlied addressed the Board at approximately 2:45 p.m., announcing a prima facie count of 500 writings appearing to be protests. The lowest threshold for a full validation of all protests being 1,923, Clerk Inderlied recommended the full count of 500 be considered valid but insufficient to preclude the proposed rate increases.

President Howell announced that the Proposition 218 protest failed.

Director Gray moved to adopt Resolution 32-2022 establishing the increases in water and sewer rates effective July 1, 2022 and annual future inflationary rate adjustments, per Government Code §61115.

Vice President Dean seconded the motion.

Public Comment:
Michael Calderwood, Cambria

Discussion ensued as to the need for a correction to the third recital of Resolution 32-2022 to delete an extraneous letter 'F' and to add the formula for calculating the inflationary increase. District Counsel requested that Alex Handlers expand the language of Exhibit 'A' to Resolution 32-2022 as noted and to return to the meeting with revisions made.

Public Comment:
Laurel Stewart, Cambria
Crosby Schwartz, Cambria

Director Farmer rejoined the meeting at approximately 2:58 p.m.

The item was tabled by unanimous consent awaiting Alex Handlers' return to the meeting.

President Howell moved to Item 8.C. Regular Business agenda.

Upon Alex Handlers' return with corrections as noted above, President Howell brought the discussion on item 7.A. back before the Board. 'Exhibit A' to Resolution 32-2022, revised at page 3, was shared on the screen.

Director Gray moved to withdraw his original motion.

Vice President Dean seconded the motion.

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

District Counsel recommended revisions to Exhibit 'A' of Resolution 32-2022. Discussion ensued as to the following revisions: (1) delete the extraneous letter 'F' in the 3rd recital of the Resolution; and (2) revise the three instances of "would be" to "will be" and the use of "authorizes" in the first sentence to "approves" in Exhibit 'A' to Resolution 32-2022.

Public Comment:
Laura Schwartz, Cambria

Director Steidel moved to adopt Resolution 32-2022 with revisions as noted.

Director Gray seconded the motion.

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

8. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Discussion and Consideration of Third Quarter Budget Report for FY 2021/22 and Adopt Resolution 33-2022A¹ Amending the Fiscal Year 2021/22 Budget

Administrative Department Manager Duffield introduced the item and provided a summary.

Director Gray moved to extend the meeting to 4:15 p.m.

Vice President Dean seconded the motion.

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

¹ On June 14, 2022, it was discovered that Resolution 33-2022 was inadvertently assigned twice. In order to address the error, Resolution 33-2022A was assigned as the updated number for this item.

Director Steidel moved to direct staff to allocate funds for the Windeler lawsuit out of the General Fund Reserve.

Director Gray seconded the motion.

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

Director Gray moved to adopt Resolution 33-2022-A Amending the Fiscal Year 2021/22 Budget.

Director Steidel seconded the motion.

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

President Howell then addressed Item 9.A. below.

B. Discussion and Consideration to Continue Using a Consultant to Facilitate the Semi-Annual Strategic Plan Updates

General Manager Weigold introduced the item and provided a summary.

Public Comment:
Michael Calderwood, Cambria

Vice President Dean moved to form an ad hoc committee consisting of Vice President Dean and Director Steidel for the following actions: (1) discuss with Marilyn Snider how to align our strategic goals with our mission statement; (2) research the approaches of other special districts with similar breadth of services and (3) come back to the Board with a report.

Director Steidel seconded the motion.

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

This item was addressed after Item 8.C. and prior to the finalization of Item 7.A. at President Howell's direction.

C. Discussion and Consideration of Voting for a Special District Representative for the San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)

General Manager Weigold introduced the item and turned it over to Administrative Department Manager, Pamela Duffield provided a summary.

Director Steidel moved to refrain from expressing a preference for either candidate as Special District Representative for the San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO).

Director Farmer seconded the motion.

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

This item was addressed prior to the finalization of Item 7.A. while the protests for that item were being counted at President Howell's direction.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S)

President Howell asked for any future agenda items. There were none.

10. ADJOURN

President Howell adjourned the meeting at 4:13 p.m.

For further detail 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 written comments can be reviewed on the District's meeting webpage.