

MINUTES OF JANUARY 16, 2025, SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

The Cambria Community Services District Board of Directors held a special meeting on Thursday, January 16, 2025, 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 Scott called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

1.B Pledge of Allegiance

President Scott led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.C Establishment of Quorum

A quorum was established.

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

Staff present: General Manager Matthew McElhenie, Confidential Administrative Assistant Haley Dodson, Utilities Department Manager Jim Green, and Program Manager Tristan Reaper.

Staff present via Zoom: District Counsel Timothy Carmel, Administrative Department Manager Denize Fritz, and Facilities & Resources Manager David Aguirre.

Atascadero City Clerk Lara Christensen introduced herself and indicated she will be handling the Proposition 218 protest tabulation process.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Garth Schultz provided a summary and PowerPoint presentation.

Public Comment:

Jeff Wilson, Cambria (submitted a written comment for the record)
Jason Lopez, Cambria (submitted a written comment for the record)
Keith Hinrichsen, Cambria (also submitted a written comment for the record)
Laurie Vallens, Cambria
Tina Dickason, Cambria
Mark Ober, Cambria
Gary Willems, Cambria
Johnathan Barcell, Cambria

3. HEARINGS AND APPEALS

3.A Public Hearing Pursuant to Proposition 218 Regarding Mission Country Disposal Solid Waste and Recycling Collection and Disposal Service Rate Increase Request and

Discussion and Consideration of Adoption of Resolution 06-2025 Authorizing the Solid Waste and Recycling Collection and Disposal Service Rate Increase

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

President Scott opened the public hearing.

Public Comment:

Tina Dickason, Cambria

Jeff Clarin and Garth Schultz answered questions.

The Board of Directors held a discussion.

General Manager McElhenie answered questions.

Public Comment:

Joanne Dean-Freemire, Cambria

President Scott closed the public hearing.

The Board of Directors took a break and reconvened at 12:13 p.m.

Atascadero City Clerk Lara Christensen stated that a majority protest to the proposed rate increase does not exist. 379 valid protests were received. There are 4,010 parcels, and 2,006 protests are required to be received to be a majority.

Director Gray moved to adopt Resolution 06-2025 authorizing the Solid Waste and Recycling Collection and Disposal Service rate increase.

Director Farmer seconded the motion.

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

4. REGULAR BUSINESS

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

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

The Board of Directors held a discussion.

Public Comment:

Tina Dickason, Cambria

Dennis Dudzik, Cambria

Director Gray moved to vote for President Debra Scott to be a Special District Representative for the San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO).

Director Dean seconded the motion.

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

4.B Discussion and Consideration of Adoption of Resolution 07-2025 Amending the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Final Budget

General Manager McElhenie introduced the item and provided a summary.

Utilities Department Manager Green provided additional information.

The Board of Directors held a discussion.

Vice President Thomas moved to adopt Resolution 07-2025, amending the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Final Budget, as indicated in Exhibit A in the amount of \$100,000, and encourage staff to pursue alternative 2 outlined in the staff report.

Director Dean seconded the motion.

Director Gray offered an amendment to encourage staff to pursue alternatives 2 and 1 simultaneously.

The Board of Directors agreed to the amendment.

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

5. ADJOURN

President Scott adjourned the meeting at 12:41 p.m.

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