

CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, April 15, 2021 2:00 PM

1. OPENING

A. Call to Order

President Steidel called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

President Steidel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Establishment of Quorum

A quorum was established.

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

Staff present via Zoom: General Manager John F. Weigold, IV, District Counsel Timothy Carmel, Finance Manager Pamela Duffield, Fire Chief William Hollingsworth, Facilities & Resources Supervisor Carlos Mendoza, Utilities Department Manager/District Engineer Ray Dienzo and Board Secretary Ossana Terterian.

D. President's Report

President Steidel stated that the "Board Member, Committee and Liaison Reports" be moved from the second meeting of the month to the first meeting of the month. The "Manager Reports" will continue to be included in the second meeting of the month.

President Steidel also asked that everyone keep their microphones muted, as was the practice at the Vets Hall in the past, until they are ready to speak and also to raise their hands virtually.

E. Agenda Review: Additions/Deletions

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

2. BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Director Dean reported that the NCAC will have a meeting next week and Craig Ufferheide would be talking about CERT and volunteering opportunities; she also talked about upcoming NCAC elections and how to get involved.

Director Farmer talked about the polystyrene ban and stated that it was effective as of April 15, 2021.

3. PUBLIC SAFETY

A. Sheriff's Department Report

Commander MacDonald was not available to provide a summary of the Sheriff's Department Report.

B. CCSD Fire Chief's Report

Chief Hollingsworth provided a report on recent activities in Cambria.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment:

Crosby Swartz, Cambria (submitted a written comment for the record)

Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria

5. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consideration to Adopt the March 2021 Expenditure Report

B. Consideration to Adopt the March 11, 2021 and March 18, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

C. Consideration of Adoption of Resolution 10-2021 Declaring a Public Nuisance for the Annual Fire Hazard Reduction Program

D. Consideration to Adopt Resolution 11-2021 Regarding the Local State of Emergency Declaration

Director Gray moved to approve the consent agenda items A, B, C and D.

Director Dean seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Unanimously Ayes – 5 (Steidel, Howell, Farmer, Dean, Gray) Nays– 0 Absent – 0

6. HEARINGS AND APPEALS

A. Discussion and Consideration to Fix Water & Wastewater Standby or Availability Charges as Provided in Government Code §61124(b) and Consideration of Adoption of Resolution 12-2021 Fixing Water and Wastewater Standby or Availability Charges for Fiscal Year 2021/2022

General Manager Weigold introduced the item and provided a summary.

President Steidel opened the public hearing.

Public Comment:

Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria

President Steidel closed the public hearing.

Director Dean moved to adopt Resolution 12-2021 Fixing Water and Wastewater Standby or Availability Charges for Fiscal Year 2021/2022.

Vice President Howell seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Unanimously Ayes – 5 (Steidel, Howell, Farmer, Dean, Gray) Nays– 0 Absent – 0

7. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Discussion and Consideration of Strategic Plan Status Report and Update

General Manager Weigold introduced the item and provided a summary.

Public Comment:

Christine Heinrichs, Cambria (submitted a written comment for the record)

Director Gray asked about an item status on the report that was blank. General Manager Weigold stated that until item 1 was finished, the second item in question will not have any information.

Director Dean stated that two of the ad hoc committees met and have developed a draft report that will go to the R & I Committee on Monday. The report will be forwarded to the Board in May.

Director Gray moved to accept the Strategic Plan Status Report.

Director Dean seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Ayes – 4 (Steidel, Howell, Dean, Gray) Abstain (Farmer) Nays– 0 Absent – 0

B. Discussion and Consideration of Request For Proposal (RFP) for the Instream Flow Study Task 1

Mr. Weigold introduced the item and turned it over to Mr. Dienzo who provided a summary.

Public Comment:

Christine Heinrichs, Cambria

Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria

Tina Dickason, Cambria

Vice President Howell moved to accept the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Instream Flow Study Task 1.

Director Gray seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Unanimously Ayes – 5 (Steidel, Howell, Farmer, Dean, Gray) Nays– 0 Absent – 0

C. Discussion and Consideration of an Agreement for Consultant Services with National Demographics Corporation

General Manager Weigold introduced the item and turned it over to District Counsel, who provided a summary.

Public Comment:

Michael Lyons, Cambria

Ted Key, Cambria

Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria

Christine Heinrichs, Cambria (submitted a written comment for the record)

Craig Smith, Cambria

Susan Ladrie-Mackey, Cambria (submitted a written comment for the record)

Tina Dickason, Cambria

Claudia Harmon, Cambria

Karen Pearson, Cambria

Director Gray moved to approve the Agreement for Consultant Services with National Demographics Corporation.

Vice President Howell seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Unanimously Ayes – 5 (Steidel, Howell, Farmer, Dean, Gray) Nays– 0 Absent – 0

President Steidel requested a break from 4:04 p.m. to 4:10 p.m.

8. MANAGER REPORTS

A. Public Comment: The President will be asking for Public Comment before the reports

Public Comment: None

B. General Manager's Report

Mr. Weigold provided a summary of the General Manager's Report.

C. Finance Manager's Report

Ms. Duffield provided a summary of the Finance Manager's Report.

D. Utilities Report

Mr. Dienzo provided a summary of the Utilities Report.

Director Farmer moved to extend the meeting to 5:15 p.m.

Director Dean seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Unanimously Ayes – 5 (Steidel, Howell, Farmer, Dean, Gray) Nays– 0 Absent – 0

9. BOARD MEMBER, COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

- A.** Public Comment: The President will be asking for Public Comment before the reports

Public Comment:
Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria

- B.** Finance Committee's Report

Director Gray submitted a written report from the Finance Committee.

- C.** Policy Committee's Report

Vice President Howell reported that the Policy Committee will probably be sending reports to the Board as they are completed.

- D.** Resources and Infrastructure Committee's Report

Director Dean reported that the R & I Committee will have written reports in the next agenda packet.

- E.** Other Liaison Reports and Ad Hoc Committee Reports

Director Farmer stated that Forest Committee had it's first meeting in April and wanted to mention a couple of items. He stated that the Forest Management Committee meeting information was in the packet. He suggested that getting an ecologist or forest manager to discuss forest issues, but unsure if it should be CCSD or the whole community – in how to best pursue various fire conditions. He asked director Gray to also discuss.

Director Gray reported that the Ad Hoc Committee on Policies is underway and they are prioritizing a big list – starting with looking at Purchasing Policy as a test case in how to proceed with other policies. Hopefully it will have a report to the Board in a couple of months. The Forest Management Committee would be in an information gathering phase about what might be needed to come up with a feasible policy that meets the CCSD needs for managing its own properties, including vacant lots. There are a number of issues, including how to pay for it, who to involve, and what management plan to follow.

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S)

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

11. ADJOURN

President Steidel adjourned the meeting at 5:15 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.