

CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2011, 12:30 PM

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION OR ACTION										
1A. CALL TO ORDER	President Clift called the regular meeting to order at 12:35 PM.										
1B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	President Clift led the pledge of allegiance.										
1C. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM	<table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">President Clift</td> <td style="width: 40%; text-align: right;">Present</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Vice President MacKinnon</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Present</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Director Bahringer</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Present</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Director De Micco</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Absent</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Director Thompson</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Present</td> </tr> </table> <p>Staff Present: General Manager Jerry Gruber, District Counsel Tim Carmel, District Engineer Bob Gresens, District Clerk Kathy Choate</p>	President Clift	Present	Vice President MacKinnon	Present	Director Bahringer	Present	Director De Micco	Absent	Director Thompson	Present
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1D. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION	No closed session to report on.										
2. SPECIAL REPORTS											
A. Sheriff's Department Report	Deputy Steeb reported just over 300 calls for service. Provided ID theft brochures and tips on securing personal information on the internet.										
3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS	Board thanked the Cambria Historical Society and all participants for a very successful Scarecrow Festival.										
4. PUBLIC COMMENT	<p><u>Tina Dickason</u>, Cambria. Commented on lack of knowledge of SLO Land Conservancy Lot Transfer Citizens Committee meeting and importance of community being notified.</p> <p><u>Amanda Rice</u>, Cambria. Has been 3,634 days since moratorium declared; 5, 470 days since Nov 1996 election when Board flipped over to a new board that fired General Manager and stopped desal project then in progress. Appreciates opportunity to discuss Urban Water Management Plan.</p> <p><u>Mary Webb</u>, Cambria. Commented on Covell Ranch fuel break, misperception in community, read excerpts from conservation easement on Covell Ranch, and cited mastication effects.</p>										
5. AGENDA REVIEW	Item 7A pulled for separate discussion.										
6. MANAGER'S AND BOARD REPORTS											
A. DESALINATION AND WATER STORAGE FACILITIES REPORT	<p>General Manager Gruber introduced the item and Bob Gresens presented the report.</p> <p><u>Tina Dickason</u>, Cambria. Commented on State Lands Commission and Coastal Commission agendas with respect to Army Corps of Engineers. Requested Director De Micco's summary be provided to public. Opposes lobbyist efforts.</p>										
B. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT	General Manager Gruber presented Manager's										

	<p>report, highlighting all department projects. Department Managers were available to answer questions. Chief Miller reported on Fire Prevention Month, a recent rescue event, and provided information on the Covell Ranch shaded fuel break project. Cal Fire Registered Forester and Division Chief Alan Peters reviewed map with project area. A masticator demo is planned on State Park land in Davis Canyon area next week. The public is invited to attend. Overall treatment is ladder fuel. Board discussion followed.</p> <p><u>Amanda Rice</u>, Cambria. Commented Forest Committee submitted comment letter on the negative declaration.</p> <p><u>Mary Webb</u>, Cambria. Wanted to make clear, she never said clear cut and comments on Covell Ranch did not refer to clear cut. Use reasonable solution for fire break; size of 100' wide, did not have to encircle entire project. Nature Conservancy does not have conservation easement posted on their website; Greenspace will post for public information.</p> <p><u>Jerry McKinnon</u>, Cambria. Does this come under jurisdiction of CCSD? Who will maintain after fuel break is in place? Will it become responsibility of Facilities and Resources? Could fuel break be used as a hiking trail? Could it become responsibility of Parks and Recreation? Look ahead to maintaining and developing.</p> <p><u>Tina Dickason</u>, Cambria. Supports \$40,000 grant and forest fuel break. 100' wide seems excessive. In opposition to desal, she wants to be able to protect this area as much as possible. Supports conserving water. Does clearance include dead wood?</p> <p>General Manager Gruber introduced Ramon Lopez, Wastewater Operator I and Mike Finnigan, Senior Wastewater Operator. Carlos Mendoza reported on Eucalyptus tree removal project.</p>
C. MEMBER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS	<p>Director Bahringer reported from NCAC that Nature Conservancy supports Covell Ranch project.</p> <p>Director Thompson attend October 4 PROS meeting and impressed with full agenda.</p> <p>President Clift attended Oct 25 Land Conservancy Lot Transfer Citizens Committee with several community members representing different aspects to set Committee goals.</p> <p><u>Tina Dickason</u>, Cambria. Opposes increase in any</p>

	form of tax assessment.
7. CONSENT AGENDA	
<p>A. Approve expenditures for month of September 2011</p> <p>B. Approve minutes of Board of Directors September 22 meeting and September 26, 2011 special meeting.</p> <p>C. Adopt Resolution 59-2011 approving a lease agreement between the County of San Luis Obispo and the CCSD for radio equipment at the CCSD’s microwave/radio facility at the Stuart Street tank</p> <p>D. Adopt Resolution 6602911 approving revised lease agreement between County of San Luis Obispo and the CCSD for County’s public works maintenance yard at Rodeo Grounds Road</p> <p>E. Adopt Resolution 64-2011 approving amended Fire Chief contract authorizing use of CCSD vehicle in lieu of monthly auto allowance</p> <p>F. Adopt Resolution 61-2011 approving professional services agreement with Avery Associates for labor negotiations</p>	<p>Item 7 A Director MacKinnon posed questions regarding TechXpress and Innovative Concepts purposes.</p> <p>Consent agenda items A – F were considered for approval.</p> <p><u>Jerry McKinnon</u>, Cambria. Requests separate page for Vets Hall expenses.</p> <p>Director Bahringer moved to approve consent agenda. Director MacKinnon seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Ayes – 4, No – 0, Absent – 1 (De Micco)</p>
8. HEARINGS AND APPEALS	None
<p>A. Adopt Resolution 51-2011 adopting the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for Rodeo Grounds Pump Station and authorize proceeding with the project</p>	<p>General Manager Gruber deferred to District Counsel Carmel who provided Jim Webb’s comment letter for the record and Board consideration. Board took a 15 minute break to review the comment letter. District Engineer Gresens presented the staff report and power point on Rodeo Grounds Pump Station Project and provided verbal response to Mr. Webb’s comment letter.</p> <p>President Clift opened public hearing.</p> <p><u>Mary Webb</u>, Cambria. Water Master Plan (WMP) keeps coming up because it’s referenced in projects being commented on. Commented on pumps and pipelines, increasing pipeline sizes for future growth. Fire flow scenarios are based on future growth, based on 4650 residential units, which we don’t have today. That’s what happened with Pine Knolls, which is why she read Pine Knolls Tank appeal back to the Board in September with Stuart Street Tank. There will be problems with County Coastal Development Permit, then with Coastal Commission because it will be appealed, which means project will cost more than \$2.4 million because appeals cost money. Pine Knolls</p>

cost an additional half million dollars because of conservation easement violations and problems with trying to plan for future growth without a water supply. We do not have an approved waters supply at present. The desalination project has not gone forward to the Coastal Commission with an approval, therefore trying to build tanks, pumps, and pipeline to accommodate future water supply we do not have approved. It won't happen. Has read the whole capacity analysis last time, the 100 year flood plain, this project is being built 10 feet away from the flood plain. This project is a ruse. Mr. Webb talked about desalination from WMP because the word is repeated in Rodeo Grounds Pump Station about desalination, because that is where you believe you will have your future water supply those pumps. Take away 50% quality of life bonus, that was one of the ways desal come out on top, skewed results for desalination as top priority because it was going to provide us 50% more water. All those arguments become unraveled because desalination is not approved, so every project coming after that is not appropriate. No talk about old Rodeo Grounds Pump Station being removed, talks about being decommissioned; needs to be completely dismantled.

Amanda Rice, Cambria. Commented on Jim Webb letter; excellent suggestion to restore habitat where current pump station is, could be an excellent mitigation measure. Many responses to comments said this issue will be addressed more specifically when we get to that project (whether about desal or any part of the WMP). When those same comments come up on the specific project the answer is, those were answered in the WMP EIR. They weren't, because it says there would be further chance to comment and bring out these concerns. It's circular downhill for the environment and people who would like to see a good project, especially a project that is needed, appropriately sized and is part of the plan that this Board, the previous Board, approved as the big picture of what the town needs in terms of infrastructure.

Tina Dickason, Cambria. Frustrated with lack of response from Engineer Gresens to State agencies asking for information; State Water Resources Control Board issues regarding appropriate areas varies for different projects but should be drawn

	<p>large enough to provide information on what types of sites may exist in the vicinity relating to Native American and interested parties. She didn't see anything on overhead or on the report. Other federal requirements pertinent to the project under CWFRS program include compliance with Clean Air Act, coastal zone management, and there are paragraphs on this, protection of wetlands, compliance with migratory bird, Flood Plain Management Act and other agencies. On this report, saw nothing in response to these agencies. <u>Jerry McKinnon</u>, Cambria. Commented on dilapidated existing equipment, machinery in it that came from World War II. It is in horrible condition. Replace the building and put in a pump. District Engineer Gresens responded to comments related to WMP EIR and tiered projects. Board discussion followed. President Clift closed public hearing.</p> <p>Director Bahringer moved to adopt Resolution 51-2011 adopting an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Rodeo Grounds Pump Station Replacement Project and authorize the General Manager to file a Notice of Determination, and authorizing the project to proceed. Director MacKinnon seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Ayes – 4, No – 0, Absent – 1 (De Micco)</p>
<p>9. REGULAR BUSINESS</p>	
<p>A. Present Fiscal Year 2010/2011 End-of-the-Year report</p>	<p>General Manager Gruber presented the fiscal year 2010/2011 End-of-the-Year Report. Board comments followed.</p>
<p>B. Adopt Resolution 65-2011 adopting an adjustment to the fiscal year 2011/2012 water budget and approving funding for remaining RBF consulting contract authorization for environmental and design tasks on the Stuart Street Tank Site Water Storage Project and Rodeo Grounds Pump Station Project</p>	<p>General Manager Gruber introduced the report. District Engineer Gresens presented the staff report.</p> <p>Public Comment: <u>Tina Dickason</u>, Cambria. The number one issue is Rodeo Grounds Pump Station, not Stuart Street Tanks. Do not find more money for RBF Consulting to work on Stuart Street (not critical) and defer other CCSD projects because of that. Board discussion followed.</p> <p>Director Thompson moved to adopt Resolution 65-2011 adopting an adjustment to the fiscal year 2011/2012 Water Department budget and approving funding for remaining RBF Consulting contract authorization for environmental and design tasks on the Stuart Street Tank Site Water Storage Project and Rodeo Grounds Pump Station Project. Director MacKinnon seconded. Motion</p>

	<p>carried unanimously. Ayes – 4, No – 0, Absent – 1 (De Micco)</p>
<p>C. Consider water conservation measures as part of Urban Water Management Plan update</p>	<p>General Manager Gruber introduced the item. District Engineer Gresens presented the staff report and power point, Water Conservation Measures as Part of Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) Update, October 27, 2011.</p> <p>Public Comment:</p> <p><u>Mary Webb</u>, Cambria. The UWMP is a plan for the community to decide how they are using their water, how much water they are using, how much water they are producing, where the water is going, where the water is coming from, now we are going to have more water in the future; it's not just about whether we are going to water our lawn or not. The assumptions are incorrect on how much water we were going to use by 2010. The water demand data in the forecast are incorrect; the 50% quality of life skews all the numbers based on the fact usage will be 18 units, instead of what was decided last month, which was 9. Desalination was chosen as part of the WMP with faulty evaluation matrix by past Board decision and incorporated into UWMP. In 2005 UWMP SR Creek well 4 is not mentioned. The new plan needs to include the new well. We have a new water supply. How much can it produce? BRP is in UWMP, we have no BRP (unfunded) and not a mitigation for Rodeo Grounds, Stuart Street, or anything else. No growth solutions, capacity data needs updating, in stream flow studies are in the UWMP, projected water supply evaluation is proven invalid, need updates on conservation measures. Is remote read meter effective? Follow the money. \$2,000 per year for conservation, since 1994 \$11 million for desalination.</p> <p><u>Amanda Rice</u>, Cambria. Board needs to make sure current infrastructure is effective and maintained. Ensure water supply and infrastructure for future generations. Look at UWMP policies. How effective have been measures been? Cost/benefit analysis in having desal; look at effective demand management, improve efficiency of system. If demand less, maybe do not need desal. On the retrofit on resale, do we have which houses have been checked? Perfect time to record how many bathrooms are there. Member of CUWCC and MOU should be in good standing with reporting; provides way to measure whether measures are working. Short-sighted to not take advantage of</p>

	<p>resources available; consider a water conservation officer.</p> <p><u>Tina Dickason</u>, Cambria. Commented on District Engineer time spent on desal efforts. Overhead presented today on conservation was outdated. Some homes around town entire front yard done with rock. Her water usage every two months is 4 units. Under UWMP, with desal consumption could increase use by 50%. SB 7x7 2009 provided legislation that sets an overall goal of reducing per capita urban water by 20% by Dec 31, 2020. Consider County's landscaping ordinance and adopt it if it's reasonable. Recycling and conservation needs attention. <i>Rodeo Grounds could have been paid for with the money that has been spent on desalination.</i> This town is not suffering from a water shortage. Time to be led by a real vision for the future of Cambria that is realistic, affordable and conservative.</p> <p><u>Jerry McKinnon</u>, Cambria. Commended Board on keeping public informed of responsibility to conserve water. Statistics do not mean much without the knowledge of staying on top and the general public is using less water. The reason they are using less is they have become educated. The education has come from the CCSD. Keep up the good work.</p> <p>Board discussion followed.</p>
<p>D. Cast runoff ballot for LAFCO alternative special district member</p>	<p>President Clift presented the staff report. Director Bahringer moved to cast ballot for Marshall Ochylski, special district member to LAFCO. Director MacKinnon seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Ayes – 4, No – 0, Absent – 1 (De Micco)</p>
<p>10. ADJOURN</p>	<p>President Clift adjourned the meeting at 4:05 p.m.</p>