



CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 17, 2024, REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

The Cambria Community Services District Board of Directors held a regular meeting on Thursday, October 17, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. at the Cambria Veterans' Memorial Hall, 1000 Main Street, Cambria, CA 93428.

1. OPENING

1.A Call to Order

President Gray called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

1.B Pledge of Allegiance

President Gray led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.C Establishment of Quorum

A quorum was established.

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

Staff present: General Manager Matthew McElhenie, Administrative Department Manager Denize Fritz, and Confidential Administrative Assistant Haley Dodson.

Staff present via Zoom: District Counsel Timothy Carmel, Utilities Department Manager Jim Green, and Program Manager Tristan Reaper.

1.D President's Report

There was no President's Report.

1.E Agenda Review

President Gray asked for any changes to the agenda. There were none.

2. BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Director Dean reported that the California King Tides Project will be from November 15 to 17 and December 13 to 15. The Coastal Commission is asking the public to take pictures of the high tides. More information is available on their website.

Director Farmer announced that Obi Kaufmann will be speaking at a Greenspace, The Cambria Land Trust event on October 20, 2024, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church at 5:00 p.m.

3. PUBLIC SAFETY

3.A Sheriff's Department Report

Commander Stuart MacDonald provided a brief report on recent Sheriff's Department activities in Cambria for September.

Public Comment:
Tina Dickason, Cambria

3.B CCSD Fire Chief's Report

Fire Chief Burkey provided a brief report for September on recent Fire Department activities in Cambria.

Public Comment:
Tina Dickason, Cambria

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Christine Heinrichs, Cambria
Tina Dickason, Cambria
Christina Galloway, Cambria

5. MANAGER REPORTS

5.A General Manager's Report

General Manager McElhenie provided a summary of the General Manager's Report.

Public Comment:
Tina Dickason, Cambria

5.B Facilities & Resources Manager's Report

General Manager McElhenie provided a summary.

Public Comment: none.

5.C Finance Manager's Report

Administrative Department Manager Fritz provided a summary of the Finance Manager's Report and the Bank of New York Mellon account activity for the SST projects report was distributed at the Board meeting.

Public Comment: none.

5.D Utilities Report

Utilities Department Manager Green provided a summary of the Utilities Report.

Public Comment:
Tina Dickason, Cambria
Christine Heinrichs, Cambria
Marla Hagel, Cambria
Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria

6. CONSENT AGENDA

6.A Consideration to Adopt the September 2024 Expenditure Report

6.B Consideration to Adopt the September 12, 2024 and September 19, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

6.C Consideration of Approval of the CCSD's Climate Adaptation Policy Number 1060

Director Thomas requested to pull item 6C.

Director Thomas requested minor corrections to page 68 of the September 12, 2024, minutes that Bruce Howard commented in person at the meeting, Lauren Younger commented via Zoom, and on page 74, that the September 19, 2024, minutes reflect the correct spelling of 'aloud.'

Public Comment:

Christine Heinrichs, Cambria

Donn Howell, Cambria

Director Thomas moved to approve items 6A and 6B with minor corrections to page 68 of the September 12, 2024, minutes that Bruce Howard commented in person at the meeting, Lauren Younger commented via Zoom, and on page 74, that the September 19, 2024, minutes reflect the correct spelling of 'aloud.'

Vice President Scott seconded the motion.

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

Public Comment:

Crosby Swartz, Cambria

Vice President Scott moved that the Board approve the Climate Adaptation Policy Number 1060 with the following changes: delete the last sentence in the first paragraph under purpose, under 1060.1 under transportation, change the last sentence to "implement the use of electric equipment as feasible and within budgetary constraints," and recommend that the Board approve this with those changes.

Director Dean seconded the motion.

Public Comment:

Tina Dickason, Cambria

Motion Passed Ayes – 4 (Scott, Farmer, Dean & Thomas) Nays – 1 (Gray) Absent – 0

President Gray formerly launched the Climate Action Plan Ad Hoc Committee.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S)

President Gray asked for any future agenda items.

Director Thomas suggested discussing a series of town hall meetings.

Public comment: none.

8. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

8.A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)

Title: General Manager

District Counsel stated that the Board of Directors will now adjourn to a closed session for a Public Employee Performance Evaluation, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1). The position title is General Manager.

Public comment:
Tina Dickason, Cambria

President Gray adjourned the meeting at 3:08 p.m.

President Gray called the meeting back to order at 4:13 p.m.

District Counsel stated that the Board of Directors returned from a closed session for a Public Employee Performance Evaluation, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1). The position title is General Manager. No action was taken, but a wonderful discussion took place.

President Gray adjourned the meeting at 4:14 p.m.

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