



CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

MINUTES OF AUGUST 12, 2024, REGULAR RESOURCES & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

A regular meeting of the Resources & Infrastructure Committee of the Cambria Community Services District was held at the Cambria Veterans' Memorial Hall, located at 1000 Main Street, Cambria, CA 93428, on Monday, August 12, 2024, at 2:00 PM

1. OPENING

1.A Call to Order

Chairperson Dean called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

1.B Establishment of Quorum

A quorum was established.

Committee members present: Karen Dean, James Webb, Steve Siebuhr, Mark Meeks, and Dennis Dudzik.

Staff present: General Manager Matthew McElhenie, Confidential Administrative Assistant Haley Dodson, Utilities Department Manager Jim Green (remote), Program Manager Tristan Reaper, and Water Systems Superintendent Cody Meeks (remote).

Members of Public: Allan Dean, Tina Dickason (remote), Tim Gillham (remote)

Committee member Williams had an emergency absence due to illness, but attended remotely.

Chairperson Dean reminds the committee on rules for emergency absences: a committee member with an emergency absence can take part in the meeting if the committee members pass a motion to allow the committee member to attend remotely.

Committee member Webb makes a motion to allow committee member Williams to attend.

Committee member Siebuhr seconds the motion.

The motion was approved: 4-Ayes; 0-Nays; 0-Abstain; 0-Absent

1.C Chair Report (Time: 2:02)

Chairperson Dean reports the following:

- The CCSD administrative offices will move to 2150 Main Street at the end of October. The new offices will open on November 1.
- There are no challengers to the three existing Board members in the upcoming election. Therefore, the Board election will not appear on the November ballot. The three existing Board members will be reappointed by the County Board of Supervisors.

1.D Ad Hoc Subcommittee Report(s) (Time: 2:05)

Committee Member Meeks has not received a reply from the solar water panel company that he has been working with. Utility Manager Green says the panels likely don't pencil out, and therefore it is not worth following up with them. Committee Member Dudzik suggests Committee Member Meeks attempt to contact the company one more time. Utility Manager Green agrees we should look once again at the demand that could be offset by the panels, and where the panels could be located.

1.E Committee Member Communications (Time: 2:10)

Committee Member Webb provides an update on the application to have parts of the California Coast added to the International Union for the Conservation of Nature's (IUCN) Green List of Protected and Conserved Areas. After 6 years of work by Committee Member Webb, the California team has approved the application which now goes to the IUCN group in Switzerland. It will be voted on by the IUCN in September.

Public Comment

None

1.F Utilities Department Manager Report (Time: 2:15)

Utility Manager Green provides a verbal update on the following projects.

- **Stuart Street Tanks.** The scope has enlarged somewhat and therefore the District must submit a full Categorical Exemption to EPA. The District will submit the Categorical Exemption packet by late August. The project schedule remains on track.
- **San Simeon Wastewater and Water Line Replacement.** The District is working with Caltrans on the geotechnical report and any encroachment permitting.
- **Lead and Copper Rule Reporting:** The physical inspections have been completed. The report will go to the Division of Drinking Water in the next few weeks. The R&I Committee will see the submittal in October.
- **Advanced Metering Infrastructure.** The installations are going slowly. 50 to 60 of the units are installed. In response to a question from Chairperson Dean, the District hopes to install all units by first quarter 2025.
- **Raw Source Sanitary Survey.** This report is required by the Division of Drinking Water every 5 years. It is almost complete, and the R&I Committee will see it in a few weeks.

- **Skate Park** Program Manager Tristan Reaper reports that the District is developing an RFP for design of the skate park.
- **East Ranch Restroom.** Program Manager Tristan Reaper reports that the District is developing two separate RFPs for the East Ranch Restroom. One RFP is for site preparation and the other RFP is for installing the restroom.
- **Pump Station Generator.** Program Manager Tristan Reaper reports that the District is developing an RFP for replacing the existing pump station generator.

Public Comment

Tina Dickason asks about monitoring the permeate from the Zero Liquid Discharge tests. Utility Manager Green states that the District has the necessary Waste Discharge Permit. The District is meeting with RWQCB staff on Tuesday, 8/13 to discuss disposal alternatives.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT (Time: 2:23)

None

3. CONSENT AGENDA (Time: 2:23)

3.A Consideration to Approve the July 15, Special Meeting Minutes

Committee Member Dudzik moved to accept minutes as written.

Committee Member Webb seconded the motion.

The motion was approved: 5-Ayes; 0-Nays; 0-Abstain; 0-Absent

4. REGULAR BUSINESS

4.A Receive a Presentation from San Luis Obispo County Air Pollution Control District Regarding Fast Chargers and Provide Recommendations to the CCSD Board of Directors (Time: 2:24)

Tim Gillham/transportation planner from San Luis Obispo Council of Governments presents information about potentially adding fast chargers to the Veterans Hall parking lot. The County is drafting a grant application to install DC fast chargers in various areas. The Veterans Hall in Cambria is one potential site. There is no matching fund requirement for this grant, but it is a competitive grant.

The Council of Governments has spoken to Charge Point about the feasibility of the site. This does not imply that Charge Point will necessarily build and own the fast chargers, but they are providing information about the feasibility of the chargers in the Veterans Hall parking lot.

Committee member Dudzik clarifies that the charging stations would be in the first row of parking in the Veterans Hall. Two chargers would be handicap accessible.

Amended & Approved on September 9, 2024

Committee member Meeks asks if there a need for night lighting at the charging stations. Mr. Gillham says yes, this is likely. Committee member Meeks requests the lighting be downcast lighting because Cambria is a dark skies community.

In response to a question for Utility Manager Green, Mr. Gillham states that fast charger installations should take less than a month if the County is successful in its grant application.

Committee member Meeks asks if battery backup storage is necessary. Mr. Gillham is unsure about the need for battery backup. It may depend on available space.

Committee member Williams asks if there is a requirement that the chargers be accessible during events such as the farmer's market. Mr. Gillham states that there is a requirement that the chargers be available 24 hours a day, every day. The County will have to negotiate with the Farmers Market and others to ensure that the chargers are always available.

Public Comment

None

Committee Member Meeks moves to forward a recommendation to the CCSD Board of Directors to consider this grant opportunity.

Committee Member Webb seconded the motion.

The motion was approved: 5-Ayes; 0-Nays; 0-Abstain; 0-Absent

4.B Receive and Discuss Report on Geophysical Mapping Options (Time: 2:41)

Committee member Williams provided a synopsis of his report. The geophysical mapping company contacted by Committee member Williams did not think either of the two sites suggested by staff would benefit from geophysical mapping.

Committee member Webb asks about the criteria for selecting the two sites. Utility Manager Green states that the Gleason Street site had previously been studied as a potential well site. The Trenton Avenue site was chosen because it's an area where groundwater often percolates to the surface after storms.

Committee member Dudzik asks about next steps for those two sites. Committee member Williams says the Gleason Street site is likely not worth looking at further. The Trenton Avenue site could be further investigated with either test drill holes or cone penetrometers. Chairperson Dean asks about the cost of these approaches. Committee member Williams offers to obtain costs.

Chairperson Webb recalls that when a sewer line was installed across Fiscalini Ranch, the staff noted that groundwater discharged through the cliffs suggesting there may be available groundwater on the Ranch. Chairperson Dean suggests that staff add the Fiscalini Ranch service road as an additional potential well site. This site would be an addition to the existing report.

Committee member Dudzik would like to see a schedule of steps required to develop a well if the sites were appropriate.

Committee member Williams will refine the report with

- Costs for cone penetrometer tests
- An assessment of the Fiscalini Ranch service road site
- A notional schedule of steps required to develop a well if the sites were appropriate

Public Comment

None

4.C Receive Update from Staff Regarding San Simeon Stream Gage Relocation (Time 2:57)

Utility Manager Green reports that SLO County Flood Control District owns and operates the stream gauge on San Simeon Creek. This gauge is on CCSD property. The County would like to raise the stream gauge and replace the current gauge with updated equipment.

The County is applying for funds for this. There will be no cost to the District.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S) (Time: 3:02)

Chairperson Dean asked for any future agenda items.

- There will be an update on the ZLD program at the September 9 meeting
- There will be an update on RFPs for the backup generator at the Rodeo Grounds at the September 9 meeting
- Committee member Meeks will update the committee on Hydro Panels at the September 9 meeting
- The Instream Flow Study will be presented to the committee at the September 9 meeting
- The Adaptive Management Program will be presented to the committee at the September 9 meeting
- The Raw Source Sanitary Survey will be presented to the committee in the future
- Chairperson Dean states that the Board of Directors wants to change its schedule to once per month meetings. The Board would also like to combine standing committee meeting dates. Two committees will meet on the Monday, and two committees will meet on the Thursday following the first Board meeting of the month (the second or third Mondays, and the third Thursdays) Chairperson Dean asks Committee members look at their calendars and be prepared to discuss. This will start in 2025.
- In December Committee members will be asked if they want to continue on the R&I Committee
- The geophysical study will be updated at the October R&I meeting.

Utility Manger Green suggests Committee members hold a meeting and tour of the ZLD plant when it is running. This will be a couple months away.

6. ADJOURN

Chairperson Dean adjourned the meeting at 3:13 p.m.