

**CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**  
Tuesday, December 19, 2017 12:00 PM

**1. OPENING**

**A. Call to Order**

President Rice called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

**B. Pledge of Allegiance**

President Rice led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**C. Establishment of Quorum**

A quorum was established.

Directors present: President Rice, Vice President Farmer, Director Bahringer, and Director Wharton.

Staff present: General Manager Jerry Gruber, District Counsel Timothy Carmel, and Confidential Administrative Assistant Haley Dodson.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

**3. REGULAR BUSINESS (Estimated time: 15 Minutes per item)**

**A. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF A POLICY REGARDING ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS DURING BOARD MEETINGS**

President Rice introduced the item and discussed the item. District Counsel provided the Board with a brief summary.

The Board requested that staff bring the item back for discussion of an expanded policy or to create a policy with some alternatives, both restrictive and to delineate some of the different options.

Public Comment:

Mike Lyons  
Karen Dean  
Don Howell  
Elizabeth Bettenhausen

**B. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION TO APPOINT A NEW DIRECTOR TO FILL THE VACANCY CREATED BY THE RESIGNATION OF GREGORY SANDERS**

General Manager Jerry Gruber introduced the continuation item. There is no staff report.

Public Comment:

Bev Prayer  
Ted Key  
Dewayne Lee  
Karen Dean  
Laura Swartz  
Brian Griffin  
Don Howell  
Christine Heinrich  
Crosby Swartz

Elizabeth Bettenhausen  
Mike Lyons

Director Wharton moved to nominate David Pierson to the Board of Directors.

Vice President Farmer seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:  
Director Wharton-Aye  
Vice President Farmer-Aye  
Director Bahringer-Aye  
President Rice-Aye

Motion Passed Unanimously: 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Absent

Confidential Administrative Assistant Haley Dodson administered the Oath of Office to David Pierson. Director Pierson took his seat with the Board of Directors.

**C. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 47-2017 CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL THE VACANCY ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION OF SAID ELECTION WITH THE JUNE 5, 2018 STATEWIDE DIRECT PRIMARY ELECTION**

This item was not discussed due to the unanimous vote on Director Pierson's nomination to the Board of Directors.

**D. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING ISSUES AND PRIORITIES, INCLUDING OPTIONS FOR SPECIAL TAX ELECTIONS**

General Manager Gruber introduced the item and turned it over to District Counsel, who gave a summary of the item and provided an explanation of the special tax ballot measure to continue to fund the SAFER Grant Firefighter. Board direction was requested.

Public Comment:  
Elizabeth Bettenhausen  
Laura Swartz

The Board directed staff to bring back additional information as follows:

Chief Hollingsworth: additional information on the fourth Firefighter. President Rice requested scenarios regarding: (i) if we can't get it on the June ballot, (ii) if it gets on the June ballot and fails, what happens and how do we deal with that, and (iii) if it goes to November, what does it look like on our budget starting next year?

District Counsel: send information to the Board regarding documents that need to be submitted to the County for the June and November ballots.

General Manager Jerry Gruber stated the June ballot money is available in this year's budget to fund SAFER Grant Firefighters. In Fiscal Year 2018/19 it goes to the November ballot, then from July 1, 2018 to November, 2018, the General Fund revenues would need to pay for the SAFER Grant Firefighters. He stated he can have staff provide the Board with additional information specifically relating to the fourth Firefighter. He will work with the Finance Manager on putting together a funding analysis for the 17/18 fiscal year cost of a Firefighter.

The Board of Directors will hold a Regular meeting on January 18, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at 1000 Main Street, Cambria, CA 93428.

**4. ADJOURN**

President Rice adjourned the meeting at 2:07 p.m.