

**Parks, Recreation and Open Space Commission
(PROS)**

**REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, January 5, 2021 - 10:00 AM**

MINUTES

1. OPENING

A. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Kniffen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

B. ESTABLISH QUORUM:

A quorum was established.

Present – Commissioners Johansson, Atencio, Kniffen, Cooper, Renshaw, Bahringer and Lord was absent.
Staff Present – General Manager John Weigold, Facilities and Resources Supervisor Carlos Mendoza, Board Secretary Ossana Terterian.

C. CHAIR REPORT: none

2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS: The officers will remain the same. Motion was made by Commissioner Atenco and seconded by Commissioner Johansson and passed unanimously

3. EX - OFFICIO REPORTS:

A. Friends of the Fiscalini Ranch Report as follows:

1. The trees that were planted over Thanksgiving are doing well
2. Volunteers have closed many of the ad hoc trails on the Ranch. CCSD helped in this endeavor. Many of the areas were reseeded. There are still many accessory trails to still be closed. These are trails that are not designated in the Management Plan for the Fiscalini Ranch.
3. Trees that were purchased with grant money applied for by FFRP from the County, are ready to be planted on the East Ranch. The cage inside the dog park has been built to protect a large tree that will be placed there. At the moment it is being used as a time out station for misbehaving dogs.
4. Kitty Connolly was happy to report that there was great donation support at the end of the year.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT NOT ON THE AGENDA: None

5. FACILITIES AND RESOURCES SUPERVISOR:

1. His crew has been very busy. There have been many people using the Ranch over the holiday and have generally behaved well with a few exceptions.
2. The North Exterior of Vet's hall has been pressured washed. That includes (BBQ, Main hall, kitchen, dining room and fireside room)
3. All loose paint was scraped and sanded.
4. Trim on the windows and doors were caulked.

5. Red wood trees in the front of the hall were trimmed and pruned. The dead branches were removed and chipped.

6. During the election, stickers were placed on the floor designating where people were to stand by the County. When these were removed it damaged the floor. The floor needed to be refinished. The County has agreed to pay for the refinishing.

7. The unruly growth around the wastewater plant had been cut and chipped.

8. Work was done on the Santa Rosa trail.

9. Many ad hoc trails were closed and the area seeded. As per Kitty's report these trails are not in the Management Plan and need to be removed.

10. In the areas, where Thanksgiving plantings have happened, many trees that were planted, do not live. These dead trees were removed.

11. Removal of other dead trees on the Ranch continues. They are cut and chipped.

12. Beautify Cambria has hired a Contractor to sand and refinish the trash containers on Main Street. Carlos has given the Contractor a place near his office to do this work. They will be replaced on Main street and planted by their Community sponsor. eg. Native daughters, Rotary, Chamber. A thank you to Director Harry Farmer for maintaining the plants in the boxes once planted.

13. The removal of tents etc. of the homeless in the pocket park is continuing under the Sheriff and Carlos direction.

14. The encampment across from Cambria Drive and Highway 1 has to be removed by January 6. Under Carlos's gentle approach it has gone well. Two dumpster

trailers will have been filled by the homeless themselves. They have cooperated with Carlos in doing this job . They have been given plastic bags to store the things they want to keep. Over 70 yards of trash has been taken away so far. Inspection will take place to make sure they do not come back. Commissioner Johanssen congratulated Carlos on his humane approach. Commissioner Kniffen remarked, “we are so lucky to have Carlos and his good heart.”

CONSENT AGENDA (Estimated time: 15 Minutes)

- A. Consideration to Approve the Minutes from the Regular Meeting Held on December 1, 2020.

Commissioner Johansson moved to approve the December 1, 2020 meeting minutes.

Commissioner Atencio second the motion.

All approved.

6. REGULAR BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and Consideration of Goals and Objectives for 2021: A discussion was then held

about our Goals and Objectives for the year 2021.
After much discussion the following was decided:

*Work to develop the Skate Park.

*Work to create and establish East Ranch
recreational purposes.

*Work to secure funding outside the regular CCSD
funding Sources.

Commissioner Renshaw moved to approve

Commissioner Cooper second the motion.

All approved.

B. Discussion and Review of the PROS Bylaws:

Commissioner Baharinger moved the bylaws be
accepted as written. Seconded by Commissioner
Johannson. Passed unanimously.

C. Receive Update on the Cambria Skatepark:

General Manager John Weigold reported that two
serious challenges have put a stop to proceeding
with the Skate Park at the moment. According to
legal Counsel, Source Well cannot be used for
Services. You can buy things through them but that
is all. So the bidding process will have to be
followed. And under the Fair Practices act it would
be a Conflict of Interest to have the same Company
do both the Design and the Construction. General
Manager Weigold plans to ask Spohn Ranch if they
would be willing to just do the Design. A lengthy
discussion followed. The following points were
made:

Because CCSD is a municipality it has to follow 1090 codes. If Spohn Ranch is interested in proceeding with the Design they will have to be involved in the bidding process. This may take a longer time than anticipated than the Design Build Process. If the design is over a million dollars the rules do not have to be followed.

Juli Amodei then said she had two investors in the wings. However, they will not give any money unless a proposal is signed. She suggested they might go the route of 501c3 and obtain a lease back on the land. The pickle ball court was done that way. A lease of land from the School District to avoid the Fair Practice act for municipalities.

Commissioner Renshaw then added that when she did a conference zoom meeting with Spohn Ranch they said they were willing to just do the design and go through the bidding process. So the discussion ended with General Manager Weigold asking Spohn Ranch if they are willing to just do the Design.

We will meet next Tuesday the 12th at 3:00 to see what the General Manager has to report and more discussion.

7. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** Postponed until next weeks meeting.
8. **ADJOURN** Commissioner Kniffen adjourned the meeting at 11:38