



CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 20, 2024 REGULAR PROS COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE PROS COMMITTEE OF CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

A regular meeting of the PROS Committee of the Cambria Community Services District was held at the Cambria Veterans' Memorial Hall, located at 1000 Main Street, Cambria, CA 93428, on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at 2:00 PM

1. OPENING

1.A Call to Order

Chair Thomas called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM

1.B Establishment of Quorum

A quorum was established with all Committee Members present: Michael Thomas, Steve Kniffen, Jim Bahringer, Kermit Johansson, Shannon Sutherland, and Jeff Wilson.

Staff members present: Confidential Administrative Assistant Haley Dodson was present at the start of the meeting; Utilities Manager Jim Green and Program Manager Tristan Reaper. GM McElhenie and F&R Manager Aguirre attended by Zoom.

Public present: Laura Swartz, Tony Church, Dick Clark, Allan Dean, Juli Amodei, Shelly Becker.

Public on Zoom: CCSD Director Farmer, Greenspace ED Karin Argano, FFRP ED Kitty Connolly, Crosby Swarz, and Karen.

1.C Chair Report

Chair Thomas briefly updated us on the PROS Goals proceedings from the recent CCSD Board Meeting and our remit to revise and resubmit at an upcoming Board meeting as soon as possible, to be addressed in Agenda item 6A below.

1.D Agenda Review

Chair Thomas asked for any agenda changes. There were none from participants. Chair Thomas asked to put the agenda item 6B related to the East Ranch Restroom ahead of agenda item 6A related to PROS Goals. There were no objections.

1.E Ad Hoc Subcommittee Reports

- **Signage:** Chair Sutherland reported no changes.
- **Community Park:** Chair Thomas reported the Committee had met twice since last PROS meeting, with progress being made on the Project Viability Matrix and on site meeting with Lindsay Corica from Firma.

- **Open Space:** Chair Wilson reported still in process of assembling members, and addressed Laura Swartz's question about next steps on Fern Canyon.

1.F Committee Member Communications

Committee member Johansson reported research into the SLO 5 year plan, including Parks and Recreation planning on Shamel Park and Burton Dr. stabilization, as well as \$2Million allocated to Santa Rosa Creek. Also mentioned Nipomo was able to procure \$8Million in County funds, with recommendation that we need to be more front and center with the County on funding. Additionally he mentioned the upcoming bond issue in the November election and we should support it for various funding needs, with discussion to take place at upcoming NCAC meeting.

Laura Swartz reiterated the need for CCSD and PROS to be more engaged with the County, with Juli Amodei concurring.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT NOT ON THE AGENDA

There was none.

3. FACILITIES & RESOURCES MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Aguirre was unable to report.

4. BRIEF REPORTS FROM GROUPS WITH ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES RELATED TO PROS WITHIN JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES

FFRP, 2:20 PM: ED Connolly reported a group of homeschooled children were recently on the Ranch; Leffingwell HS students had been working on ice plant removal; Recent planting of 100 Monterey Pines on West Ranch, with seedling donation from Greenspace; Nursery has been temporarily relocated to Rancho Marino; Wildflower Show is slated for April 27.

Greenspace, 2:22 PM: ED Argano reported that their Earth Day event will be at Creekside Reserve on April 21. The theme is Planet vs. Plastics; Strawberry Canyon is the Greenspace 2024 project focus, with goal of improving trails; Creekside Reserve undergoing another round of California native plantings and the Learning Center shed finished.

Skate Cambria, 2:24 PM: Julie Amodei reported the OGALS grant continues in process and is going well, with current request for tribal input; Funding continues with goal to reduce CCSD commitment level; No funding appears to be forthcoming from San Simeon Tourism; Upcoming June fundraiser "Rhythm and Ramps", more details to follow.

Dog Park, 2:29 PM: Shelly Becker reported they now have access to the \$46,000 in funding which may help fund gazebos; Working with Park participants to help reduce noise impacts, with new sign on the board and messaging on Next Door.

Cambria Forest Committee, 2:32 PM: Laura Swartz commented on Fern Canyon, clarifying there are 3 manholes in the upper section of the canyon; Crosby Swartz continues to provide alternative views towards fire suppression techniques.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5.A Consideration to Approve the January 31, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes, 2:40 PM

Committee member Bahringer moved to approve the minutes.
Committee member Johansson seconded the motion.
Motion Passed Ayes 5, Nays 0, Abstain 0, Absent 0

6. REGULAR BUSINESS

6.A Discuss and update the PROS Committee Goals Report, 3:18 PM

Due to time constraint on a 4 PM adjournment, Chair Thomas proposed an extension beyond 4pm. Committee Member Bahringer moved to extend to 4:15 PM, Member Johansson seconded. The motion passed unanimously

Chair Thomas introduced the topic and lengthy discussion ensued among Committee members regarding the CCSD Board returning Goals for 2024 and Beyond for editing and refinement. It was agreed that the Committee will re-visit the Goals and resubmit, with agreement to remove the Coastal Trail and SkatePark Goals. Other Goals will be refined with additional information Chair Thomas has recommended to clarify purpose, outcomes, and process for the Board.

Chair Thomas agreed to reformat the Goal framework and template and send out to the Committee for editing and feedback, to be addressed and finalized at the March PROS meeting.

6.B Discuss and Consider the East Ranch Restroom Location, 2:41 PM

Chair Thomas introduced the topic and indicated the Community Park Ad Hoc had visited the site with Lindsay Corica and Tristan Reaper and the Ad Hoc recommended a new location for the restroom closer to the parking lot than was originally proposed in the 2012 plan. He showed a map of the original proposed location and the new proposed location.

Committee discussion ensued with some issues being raised about the new location, in particular reduced access to users of the playing fields and safety, but general agreement among members for the new location.

Public comment ensued with Allan Dean advocating for location to remain as originally proposed, also mentioning the element of better safety with the proposed location of the playground and ability for parents to better monitor children coming and going. There continued discussion of pros and cons of each option.

Committee member Johansson moved to approve a recommendation to the Board to site the restroom at the newly proposed location, with orientation of entry/exit to the north for visibility from the playground.

Committee member Sutherland seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Ayes 4, Nays 1, Abstain 0, Absent

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Thomas asked for any future agenda items. There were none.

8. ADJOURN

Chair Thomas adjourned the meeting at 4:15 PM.