

MINUTES OF JULY 25, 2024, REGULAR POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

A regular meeting of the Policy Committee of the Cambria Community Services District was held at the Cambria Veterans' Memorial Hall, located at 1000 Main Street, Cambria, CA 93428, on Thursday, July 25, 2024, at 3:00 PM

1. OPENING

1.A Call to Order (00:14)

Committee Chair Scott called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

1.B Establishment of Quorum

A quorum was established.

Committee members present: Committee Chair Debra Scott, Ted Key, Claudia Harmon-Worthen and Secretary Donn Howell.

Due to medical conditions, members James Townsend and Vice Chair Gordon Heinrichs were present via Zoom.

Staff members present: Confidential Administrative Assistant Haley Dodson and General Manager Matthew McElhenie.

On questioning by Chair Scott, Heinrichs and Townsend both asserted that no one over 18 was present with them in their respective locations. They than requested that the Committee allow them to attend via Zoom.

Motion: that Vice President Heinrichs and Member Townsend that be permitted to participate in this Committee meeting via Zoom

Motion by: Chair Scott

Motion passed: Ayes -3; Nays -0; Chair not voting. (03:50)

1.C Chair Report (03:59)

Committee Chair Scott noted that today's agenda is largely topics for discussion and that our takeaway should be some idea of where we go from here. The only topic we'll consider [vote on] today is the approval of the minutes of July 25.

1.D Ad Hoc Subcommittee Report(s) (05:00)

Report from the Ad Hoc Subcommittee Tasked with Developing a Climate Adaptation policy:

Subcommittee member Key reported on the progress of the ad hoc Subcommittee. He presented the subcommittee's draft policy. The Committee then discussed the draft, offering feedback and making suggestions.

Subcommittee member Townsend mentioned a draft climate change policy document dated December 27, 2022 [sic] that he would like to locate. He went on to report that Senator Laird's office isn't aware of any formal legislation requiring California Special Districts to put together a climate change policy. On the other hand, most of the communities Member Townsend looked at did, in fact, have such a document – in all cases called a Climate Action Plan.

Chair Scott said she will take the subcommittee's draft, put it into a policy format and bring it back at our next Committee meeting for wordsmithing. She thanked the subcommittee for its work and thanked members of the Public, Christine Heinichs and Laura Swartz for their participation. (30:14)

1.E Committee Member Communications (32:36)

Member Key said that a July 16 presentation at the Vets' Hall regarding the offshore wind project drew more than 100 attendees and that a march through town is planned in the near future.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT (31:58) There was no public comment at this time.

3. CONSENT AGENDA (38:27)

3.A Consideration to Approve the June 27, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion: to accept the minutes as written.

Motion by: Key Second by: Harmon

Motion passed: Ayes -3; Nays -0; Abstain -2; Chair not voting. (39:02)

4. REGULAR BUSINESS

4.A Discussion of CCSD's Response to Homeless (39:49)

The Committee reviewed the existing CCSD *Policy 225 Encampments on District Property*. In general, the Committee was satisfied with the current policy as written. However, member Harmon brought forward two minor changes she'd like to see incorporated. As this agenda item is for discussion only, Chair Scott stated that she will bring this policy back at our next meeting. At that time we can consider [i.e. vote on] Harmon's suggested changes. (46:49)

4.B Discussion of CCSD's Policy on Lighting (47:13)

The Committee discussed the importance of a lighting policy but noted that, except for a limited number of streetlights, the District has no jurisdiction over lighting on private properties other than its own. Chair Scott agreed to ask the CCSD Board if they would like our committee to create a policy on lighting on CCSD properties. (59:30)

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S) (1:04:19)

- Discussion & Consideration of the draft Climate Adaptation Policy recast in policy format. [See 1.D above.]
- Discussion & Consideration of some minor changes requested by member Harmon to *Policy 2225 Encampments on District Property*. [See 4.A above.]
- Discussion & Consideration of a Lighting Policy provided that the Board so directs the Committee. [See 4.B above.]

Member Townsend raised the issue of asking the CCSD Board to pass a resolution in support of the County Board of Supervisors adopting a lighting plan for Cambria. Chair Scott said she would bring the matter up with the agenda review committee.

Call for public comment on future agenda items (1:09:14) There was no public comment.

6. **ADJOURN** (1:09:18)

Committee Chair Scott adjourned the meeting at 4:10 p.m.