## **CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, JULY 28, 2011, 12:30 PM

	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION OR ACTION
1A.	CALL TO ORDER	President Clift called the regular meeting to order
		at 12:37 PM.
1B.	PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	President Clift led the pledge of allegiance.
1C.	ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM	President Clift Present
		Vice President MacKinnon Present
		Director Bahringer Present
		Director De Micco Present
		Director Thompson Present
		Staff Present: General Manager Jerry Gruber,
		Assistant District Counsel David Hirsch, District
4.5		Engineer Bob Gresens, District Clerk Kathy Choate
1D.	REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION	Assistant District Counsel Hirsch reported no
_	CDECIAL DEPORTS	report.
2.	SPECIAL REPORTS  A Shoriff's Department Benert	Donuty Stock reported 207 calls for somilies of the
	A. Sheriff's Department Report	Deputy Steeb reported 287 calls for service, of that 68 were EMS calls.
3.	ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS	Greg Burns, VanScoyoc Associates presented
3.	ACKNOWLEDGEWENTS/ PRESENTATIONS	federal advocacy status of proposed investigations
		of supplemental water, American Recovery
		Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding, and authorized
		Federal funding credits for Cambria, and his role in
		supporting relationships in leadership roles at the
		Federal level.
		Public Comment: Mary Webb, Cambria. Pursuing
		water alternatives and federal funding of
		alternatives has never appeared in Van Scoyoc
		reports. Fifty percent of community opposes
		desalination.
4.	PUBLIC COMMENT	Amanda Rice, Cambria. 3,542 days since
		moratorium declared. Commented if connections
		had continued demand would be 878 AF/year.
		Supports water demand study and compare to
		current usage. Supports in stream capacity study.
		Interested in status of public record retention
		policy.
		Harry Farmer, Cambria. Opposes desal costs and
		supports more cost effective, environmentally
		friendly reservoirs, cisterns, and green water.
		Mary Webb, Cambria. Thanked Jerry Gruber, and
		Admin staff for assistance with recent billing
		record request.
5.	AGENDA REVIEW	Stands as published, Item 7A and E will be pulled
		for discussion.

6. <b>M</b>	ANAGER'S AND BOARD REPORTS	
A.	GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT	General Manager Gruber presented Manager's report, highlighting all department projects.  Department Managers/Supervisors were available to answer questions. Board discussion followed.
В.	DESALINATION AND WATER STORAGE FACILITIES REPORT	General Manager Gruber requested Bob Gresens, District Engineer present the report. Board discussion followed.  Public Comment: Mary Webb, Vice President, Greenspace Cambria Land Trust, established new water policy end of June and read the document. Supports in stream flow study. Peter Chaldecott, Cambria. Referenced San Simeon Creek well levels and lowest level in early 1990s. Drought situations are real and encouraged Board to remain focused and continue to solve water issue. Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria. Supports the phrase "pump and bill." Requested update of percentage of engineer's time on desal, May 2011 ACE quarterly report, and regular reporting on costs of desal.
C.	MEMBER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS	Director Thompson, PROS liaison announced Aug 2 PROS meeting and FFRP Kitchen Tour tickets on sale.  Director Thompson reported the Ad Hoc Facilities Committee met to review private use of Vets Hall policy and at a future time will coordinate with Ad Hoc Fee Schedule Committee to review fees with public participation. Director Bahringer requested an agenda item be scheduled next month to provide for private use of Vets Hall.  Director Bahringer attended NCAC meeting.  President Clift reported on July 18 CCSD/SLO Land Conservancy workshop to discuss proposed transfer of lots to CCSD and next month's agenda will include an item to form a citizens committee to determine issues involved, what are potential costs, and what is the community's feeling on funding those costs?  Director MacKinnon, Salaries and Benefits Committee reported the committee has had several committee meetings and are reviewing a variety of options.

## 7. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approve expenditures for month of June 2011
- B. Approve minutes of Board of Directors Regular Meeting June 23, 2011
- C. Schedule public hearing to consider approval of the Appropriation Limit for Fiscal Year 2011/2012
- D. Approve 12-month extension of Intent to Serve Letter for Senior Care Facility, Michael Clark, applicant, APN 024-191-052, Ardath Drive and Green Street property
- E. Approve a one-year extension of Agreement for Alternative Point of Water Diversion (Well SR 4) at Coast Union High School between the CCSD and Coast Union School District
- F. Adopt Resolution 37-2011 authorizing applicant's agent designation for Office of Emergency Services
- G. Adopt Resolution 38-2011 ratifying the hiring of Wastewater Operator

Director Bahringer commented on Item 7A
Director De Micco commented on Item 7E
General Manager Gruber read consent agenda
items A – G.

## **Public Comment:**

<u>Jerry McKinnon</u>, Cambria. Commented on pride of ownership of Cambria's facilities and resources and importance of maintenance.

Director Thompson moved to approve consent agenda. Director Bahringer seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes - 5, Noes - 0, Absent - 0

## 8. **HEARINGS AND APPEALS**

A. Public hearing to adopt Resolution 35-2011 ordering abatement of public nuisance for Fire Hazard Fuel Reduction Program None

General Manager presented staff report. President Clift opened public hearing. No public comment. President Clift closed the public hearing.

Director MacKinnon moved to adopt Resolution 35-2011 authorizing the Fire Chief to abate the nuisance by having the weeds and debris removed from the parcels on the property listed in Exhibit "A." Director Bahringer seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ayes - 5, Noes - 0, Absent - 0

B. Public Hearing to take public testimony on the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed Geotechnical/Geophysical Research Investigation Study at Santa Rosa Creek Beach and Shamel Park Beach President Clift introduced the item. General Manager Jerry Gruber requested District Engineer Bob Gresens present the staff report. He highlighted the report, followed by a Power Point, and read a statement from Army Corps of Engineers. President Clift opened the public hearing.

Elizabeth Bettenhausen, Cambria. Commented on High and Low Tide Book referencing grunion runs and environmental analysis. Conclusions reached in IS/MND fall short of CEQA requirements for factual data supporting conclusions. No scientific merit.

<u>Jim Webb</u>, Cambria. When public considers CEQA approves underlying activity that could result from

approval. While Geotech presented as data gathering activity and not consider other ramifications, submits public is entitled to consider full ramifications of this project, which includes the establishment of an outfall and intake subterranean well and a potential desalination plant. Quoted a sentence from California Coastal Commission comment letter. Consider different site or reevaluate proposal. Both Santa Rosa and San Simeon Creeks are designated as critical habitat areas by National Marine Fisheries Service. Amanda Rice, Cambria. Short-sighted if test goes well, desal plant would be considered and to omit from analysis does not provide public and Board with all the information needed to make a good decision.

Mary Webb, Cambria. Basic consumption numbers have changed since WMP was written. In 1975 Cambria population about 2,000 and used 500 AF/year. In 2010 used 672 AF/year with population of 6,032. CCSD has plugged leaks (had 30-40% leaks back then) and Cambrians are conserving. Population has increased and there is no crisis. Expectations of water use in those plans from 1989 were usage would be 1,100 AF/year right now. The 2005 UWMP claimed we would be at 1200 AF by 2011. All the assumptions in those plans when 50% quality of life put in and all those calculations 2.21 people/household, Cambria has never had 2.21 people in a household. The vacancy rate has been 25 – 32% for the past twenty years. We have had about 1.66 people/household for twenty years. Not mandatory to do desal, smaller projects could work. WMP was written with 602 AF in mind. Since then, testimony has come forward we only need 300 AF or less. The Board now says desal would be run as needed and pumps are not designed to be turned off and on. Desal would be most expensive water for community. All projects in Water Master Plan will be challenged from this point on because they are based on water supply solution of desalination. Ron Crummitt, Cambria. Commented on steelhead, remembers in 1980s there were no steelhead in creek due to five years of drought and we can never forget this is one of the reasons we are working for a permanent water supply. Encouraged Board to continue with the project. Several test drillings have been done on Shamel Park and no negative reactions or results.

		Everything is the same as it was before and feels confident in the Army Corps with the paleo channel drilling.  Ian McLauchlan, Cambria. If excessive free rain had been saved in an area such as Whale Rock reservoir it would cover the dry periods in next few years that might come up. That water is free. We don't need extensive infrastructure to use the water and prudent use of water given through rainfall stored for future use should be required as a much better way to support the community of Cambria.  Board clarification to comments, questions to staff and counsel, and discussion followed. The information provided by the public today will be forwarded to Army Corps of Engineers.
9.	REGULAR BUSINESS	
	A. Cast ballot for LAFCO alternate Special District member	President Clift presented the staff report. Director Thompson moved to cast ballot voting for Marshall Ochylski for alternate LAFCO special district member. Director MacKinnon second.  Motion carried unanimously.  Ayes – 5, Noes – 0, Absent - 0
10.	ADJOURN	President Clift adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.