

CCSD Liaison Report for the February 19, 2025, NCAC Meeting

The CCSD Board of Directors has met twice since the January 15 NCAC Meeting. An easy way to find CCSD Board meeting agendas and minutes, and access video recordings is to go to the [CCSD Board Meetings](#) page on the CCSD Website. The starting page number in the agenda packet and starting times are indicated below to better enable the public to find specific topics of interest. Another excellent resource is the [Letters from the General Manager](#).

At the [January 16 2025 CCSD Board Special Meeting](#):

3.A The Board held a Prop 218 **Public Hearing** regarding the **Mission Country Disposal solid waste disposal rate increase**. There were 379 protests, ~9.5% of the 4010 customer accounts. The Board authorized the 12.59% rate increase, effective January 1, 2025, with CPI based adjustments for the next 4 years.

In Regular Business:

- 4.A. The Board nominated President Scott to apply for a seat as Special District Representative for the San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), page 31, starting at 12:16 PM.
- 4.B. The Board approved a \$100k budget adjustment for the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) Coastal Development Permit (CDP) capital project to fund County Planning and remediation expenditures, page 37, starting at 12:22 PM

At the [February 13 2025 CCSD Board Regular Meeting](#):

The Fire Chief swore in Fire Captain Greg McGill and SAFER Firefighter Henry Wright.

4.A The Board received a presentation from Kevin Merk about the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) Adaptive Management Plan (AMP) Quarterly Baseline Monitoring, pages 4-28, 10:14 AM.

4.B The Board received a presentation from the PROS Community Park Ad Hoc Committee, Shannon Sutherland and Jeff Wilson, about the Community Park Conceptual Plan, pages 29-68, starting at 10:35 AM.

5. In **Public Comment**, starting at 11:35 AM:

- Jrair Hakopian, from La Crescenta, about weed abatement charges.
- David O'Grady on 343 Harvey Street and the role of elected officials.
- Laura Swartz asked how weed abatement contractors know the parcel boundaries.

Note: Written Public Comments are posted at the website hyperlinked above.

6. **Public Safety Reports:**

- 6.B CCSD Fire Chief's Report, page 70, starting at 1:32 PM, Chief Burkey discussed his report and answered questions about our recent mutual aid response, the testing program for fire hydrants, emergency preparation, and upcoming community meetings.
- 6.A Sheriff's Department Report, the written report is on page 69 of the agenda packet.

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7. On the **Consent Agenda**, starting at 2:08 PM, page 72-120, the usual topics - the Expenditure Report and Board Meeting Minutes, plus the Board:

- 7.C Changed the start time of [PROS Committee](#) meetings to 2:00 PM, still 3rd Thursdays,
- 7.D Approved a Side Letter Agreement with SEIU Local 620 regarding vacation accrual,
- 7.E Directed Staff and Counsel to review the [Board](#) and [Standing Committee Bylaws](#), and
- 7.F Adopted a Resolution establishing 2150 Main Street as the official physical address.

8. In Regular Business:

8.A The Board received the FY 2024/25, 2nd Quarter [Budget Report](#), pages 121-190, 1:04 PM. Note the new listing of all CCSD debt on the penultimate page of the report.

8.B The Board established the new [Fire Protection Committee](#), pages 191-214, 1:22 PM. The committee will meet on the 3rd Thursdays, 10:30 AM. The Committee Chair will work with Staff to revise the draft committee responsibilities for consideration next month.

8.C The Board addressed Standing Committee Chair and Liaison Appointments, page 215, in 2 parts, 11:35-11:42 AM, and 12:09-12:22 PM.

Standing Committees:

- President Debra Scott will Chair the Finance Committee.
- Tom Gray was appointed to Chair the Fire Protection Committee.
- Director Karen Dean will continue to Chair the Resources and Infrastructure Committee.
- Vice President Michael Thomas will continue to Chair the PROS Committee.

Existing Liaison Appointments:

- Director Tom Gray will continue as Cambria Fire Safe Focus Group liaison.
- Director Harry Farmer will continue as Cambria Forest Committee liaison.
- Director Harry Farmer will continue as Friends of Fiscalini Ranch Preserve (FFRP) liaison.
- Vice President Michael Thomas will continue as North Coast Advisory Council (NCAC) liaison.
- Director Karen Dean will continue as California Coastal Commission liaison.

The following new Liaison Appointments were established:

- Vice President Michael Thomas was appointed as liaison to the Cambria Tourism Board.
- President Debra Scott was appointed as liaison to the San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO).
- Director Karen Dean was appointed as liaison to the Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC).
- Director Karen Dean was appointed as liaison to the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB).

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8.D The Board established Standing Committees appointments for the 2025-2026 term, pages 216-257, starting at 11:42 AM.

<u>Finance Committee</u>	<u>R&I Committee</u>	<u>Fire Protection</u>	<u>PROS Committee</u>
Monday following the 2 nd Thursday, 10:00 *	Monday following the 2 nd Thursday, 2:00 *	3 rd Thursday, 10:30	3 rd Thursday, 2:30
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Karen Chrisman • Keith Hinrichsen • Scott McCann • Steven Rau • Alice Wysocki 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jim Grimaud • Donn Howell • Steve Siebuhr • Jim Webb • Mark Meeks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ronald De Luca • Tony Safford • David Pierson • Arthur Chapman • Gordon Heinrichs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark Glanzman • Matt Jaffe • Gary Stephenson • Shannon Sutherland • Jeff Wilson

* except where that Monday is a holiday, then on Tuesday.

8.E The Board discussed adding a new Ordinance to the CCSD Municipal Code regarding Weed Abatement Standards, pages 258-265, starting at 1:58 PM. Based on discussion and input, this was referred to the newly formed Fire Protection Committee for refinement.

8.F The Board received additional Public Input on the Strategic Plan starting at 2:20 PM, in addition to input received over the last several weeks, listed on pages 260-274.

8.G The Board discussed the agenda and preparations for the Strategic Planning Workshop, pages 275-305, 2:33 PM. This meeting is scheduled Monday, March 3, 2025, starting at 10:00 AM, and may continue on Tuesday March 4 if needed.

8.H The Board adopted the Budget Policy revisions recommended by the Staff and Finance Committee, with minor corrections, pages 306-317, starting at 2:43 PM.

8.I The Board amended the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Budget for Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI) Global Information Systems (GIS) Services, pages 318-320, starting at 2:56 PM. This will improve location accuracy, both for preventive (e.g. weed abatement) and emergency response, eliminating the dependency on cellular signal.

8.J The Board received a presentation from ASTERRA sales representative Andy Puentes, and approved of an Agreement for Satellite-Based Leak Detection Services for Water and Wastewater, pages 321-354, starting at 3:04 PM.

9. Manager Reports: pages 355-412, starting at 3:32 PM, the Board received the usual informative reports from the GM, Facilities & Resources, Finance, and Utilities.

10. Board Member, Committee and Liaison Reports, pages 420-428, 4:06 PM, the Board received informative written Liaison Reports from recent meetings of the NCAC, FFRP and Cambria Forest Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 4:11 PM.

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Upcoming meetings of the CCSD Board of Directors and opportunities to meet with the GM:

The CCSD Board of Directors will hold a [Special Meeting Wednesday, February 26, 2025](#), at 8:30 AM near the Cambria Dog Park, 2021 Rodeo Grounds Road, Cambria, CA, for observation and celebration of the East Ranch Restroom installation.

The CCSD Board of Directors will hold [a Special Meeting on Monday, March 3, 2025](#), starting at 10:00 AM in person at the Vets' Hall and via Zoom. This will be the **Strategic Planning Workshop, a major strategic update** which the District typically conducts every 3 years.

The next opportunity to [Meet the General Manager](#) is Monday, March 10, 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM, which also includes the opportunity to [Meet the Fire Chief](#) 9 AM to 12 PM, at the Vets' Hall.

The next Regular meeting of the CCSD Board of Directors will be [Thursday March 13, 2025](#), starting at 10:00 AM, in person at the Vets' Hall and via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted, Michael Thomas, CCSD Board of Directors