

**REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING MINUTES**

**Board of Directors**

Paedrin Fusco – Board Chair Date: January 16, 2025

Candace Youngberg – Vice Chair Time: CLOSED - 5:00 PM

Cameron Leslie OPEN – 6:00 PM

Teresa Lamer Place: 9590 Avenue C

Steven Johnson Niland, CA 92257

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting Called to Order by Directo Fusco at 5:02pm.
	1. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
	2. Roll Call to determine Quorum
		1. Director Fusco - Present
		2. Director Youngberg - Present
		3. Director Leslie - Present
		4. Director Lamer - Present
		5. Director Johnson - Present
		6. Quorum Established – 5 out of 5 Directors Present
2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Board will approve the agenda for the Regular Meeting for January 16, 2025, as is or delete/clarify any item on the agenda.
	1. Motion to Approve the Agenda for January 16, 2025 made by Director Leslie
	2. Seconded by Director Johnson
	3. Vote: 5-0-0
3. **CLOSED SESSION:** Motion to go into closed session made by Director Fusco at 5:04pm.
	1. Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Gov’t Code section 54956.8). Re: rental agreement for property on Bombay North
		1. NOTES: Representatives for American Legion Post 801 could not make it and discussion moved to February 20, 2025 meeting.
	2. Public employment (Gov’t code section 54957). Re: Stipend for Job Training as part of grant requirements
		1. Motion to pay Director Lamer a stipend using extra funds from water costs allocated to the District for 10 hours of Job Training with Landscaper in the amount of $160 to fulfill grant requirements made by Director Fusco
		2. Seconded by Director Leslie
		3. Voted: 5-0-0
	3. Public employment (Gov’t code section 54957) re: Secretary/Clerk of the Board Position
		1. Motion to hire Candace Youngberg as Secretary/Clerk of the board made by Director Fusco
		2. Seconded by Director Johnson
		3. Vote: 4-0-0
		4. Candace Youngberg resigned as Director to accept position as Secretary/Clerk of the Board
		5. Director Fusco motioned to continue stipend of $1900.00 for Candace Youngberg until Accountant is hired at Feb. 20, 2025 Meeting
		6. Director Leslie Seconded it
		7. Vote: 4-0-0
	4. Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Gov’t Code section 54956.8). Ascension
		1. NOTES: Motion to approve future planning and community development of Ascension on Bombay North Property in proximity of Avenue E made by Director Johnson. Seconded by Director Fusco Vote 4-0-0
		2. Motion to appoint Director Lamer for communications regarding Bombay North Property and Ascension made by Director Fusco. Seconded by Director Leslie. Vote: 4-0-0
4. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER FOR OPEN SESSION:** by Director Fusco at 6:01pm Director Fusco motioned to take a break until 6:30pm. Seconded by Director Lamer. Vote: 4-0-0. Meeting resumed and called to order by Director Fusco at 6:32pm.
5. **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM December 19, 2024:**
	1. Motion to approve meeting minutes from December 19, 2024 meeting made by Director Fusco
	2. Seconded by Director Lamer
	3. Vote: 4-0-0
6. **CONSENT AGENDA:** “A Consent Agenda may be presented by the Board President at the beginning of a meeting. Items may be removed from the Consent Agenda on the request of any one member. Items not removed may be adopted by general consent without debate. Removed items may be taken up either immediately after the consent agenda or placed later on the agenda at the direction of the assembly”.
	1. FINACIAL REPORT: Report on financial status of the District as of December 31, 2024. Still Pending Access to all Accounts
	2. The Board will approve payment of accounts payable in the form of Demands to the County. Copy of list of Demands is available upon request.
	3. The process to establish an Emergency Response Unit. (ERU Admin)
	4. What to do with the Large Water Pump that belongs to the District. (ERU Admin)
	5. The Board will consider adopting resolution 2024-01-01 Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act. (Youngberg) (Item introduced 09/13/2023)
	6. The Board will hear an update on the establishment of a local mass texting or information dissemination service for Bombay Beach Residents. (Youngberg - Assumed responsibility 12/19/24)
	7. The Board will hear an update and discuss the offers for the Districts Fire Apparatus listed on GovDeals for sale/auction. (Youngberg).
	8. The Board will discuss the purchase of a water bowser or like option for the ERU to assist with Fire Suppression. (ERU Admin)
	9. Motion to approve Consent Agenda made by Director Fusco
	10. Seconded by Director Leslie
	11. Vote: 4-0-0
7. **OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC COMMENT:** This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on any subject matter within the Board’s jurisdiction, but not an item on the published agenda. Public Comment on agenda items will be allowed when the agenda item is called by the Board. Please make comments at podium, state name and limit comments to 3 minutes.
8. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:**
9. **OLD BUSINESS – DISCUSSION ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:**
	1. The Board will hear an update to construct a fence to separate the trash dumpsters lot from the adjoining lot. (Youngberg) (Item introduced 06/15/2023)
		1. Youngberg will be meeting with Dulcinee to discuss
	2. Board will hear an update on Park Grant (Youngberg)
		1. Board discussed new proposal by KYA Group
		2. Motion to approve proposal made by Director Johnson
		3. Seconded by Director Lamer
		4. Vote: 4-0-0
	3. District Kitchen Remodel Project. (Youngberg)
		1. No Update
	4. The Process to Acquire the Fire Department Building at Bombay Beach. (Fusco)
		1. No Update
	5. The Process to establish a Flood Response Unit for Bombay Beach. (Youngberg/Fusco)
		1. No Update
	6. Avenue A Beautification Update. (Youngberg)
		1. No Update
	7. The Board will discuss if continuing use of District supplied cell phone service is still required. (Lamer)
		1. No Update
	8. The Board will discuss looking at other payroll agencies to provide District Payroll Service. (Introduced 06/20/2024)
		1. No Update
	9. The Board will discuss the process of renaming Avenue E to Ernie Street. (Czar/Youngberg) (Introduced 06/20/2024)
		1. No Update
10. **NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION/ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:**
	1. Board will provide a report from Closed Session (Fusco)
		1. NOTES: See Closed Session Notes
	2. Board will make an announcement about the Trust for Civic Life Grant awarded to the Bombay Beach Community Services District
		1. NOTES: Director Fusco announced that the BBCSD was awarded a $25,000.00 grant for all of the work they have been doing within the Bombay Beach Community for residents
	3. Board will discuss using part of the Trust for Civic Life Grant allocated for the ERU to pay for a Temporary Admin Position to assist Volunteer Admins with getting things up and running. (Fusco).
		1. NOTES: Direction made by Director Johnson to post open position for ERU Admin Coordinator/Consultant
	4. Board will discuss hiring an Accountant to help with District Finances. (Fusco)
		1. NOTES: Direction made by Director Fusco to post open position for District Accountant
	5. Board will discuss and volunteer for Standing Committees
		1. NOTES: Please See Bombay Beach Standing Committees 2025 Attachment
	6. Board will discuss and decide on 2 Directors to sign for BofA General Fund Account
		1. Motion for Directors Leslie and Johnson to become additional signers on the General Funds Account at BofA made by Director Fusco
		2. Seconded by Lamer
		3. Voted: 4-0-0
	7. Board will discuss the purchase of lighting used for the Legends Fundraiser on January 1st from Brenda to add to the District supplies for events.
		1. Motion to Approve purchase made by Director Johnson
		2. Seconded by Lamer
		3. Vote: 4-0-0
	8. Board will discuss how much funds will be allocated to the Valentine’s Day Party on February 14th.
		1. Motion to allocate $500.00 made by Director Fusco
		2. Seconded by Director Lamer
		3. Voted: 4-0-0
	9. Board will discuss attending upcoming Leadership Academy in La Quinta April 21 – 25, 2025
		1. Notes: Board will notify Secretary of availability by Wednesday Jan 22, 2025
	10. Board will discuss removal of fence in front of the park area along Avenue C to make it more welcoming and accessible to residents and visitors (Fusco)
		1. Motion to take fence down at no cost to district made by Director Lamer
		2. Seconded by Director Johnson
		3. Vote: 4-0-0
	11. Board will discuss building a fenced in Dog Park Area for visitors to the Park and Community Center (Fusco)
		1. Motion to approve building a Dog Park Area out of fence pieces from the fence that was taken down in front of the park area made by Leslie
		2. Seconded by Lamer
		3. Vote: 4-0-0
	12. Board will discuss applying for the EPA Thriving Communities Grant (Fusco)
		1. Motion to approve applying for Thriving Communities Grant made by Director Johnson
		2. Seconded by Director Leslie
		3. Vote: 4-0-0
	13. Board will discuss the Purchase and Installation of Security Camera System offered to the District by Junior
		1. Motion to approve purchase of Security Camera System from Junior for the cost of $50 made by Director Fusco
		2. Seconded by Director Leslie
		3. Vote: 4-0-0
	14. Board will discuss replacing and or repair of bulletin boards at each mailbox area in town for easier sharing of information.
		1. Motion to approve replacing/repair of bulletin boards at each mailbox area in town made by Director Johnson
		2. Seconded by director Lamer
		3. Vote: 4-0-0
11. **COMMUNITY REPORTS:**
	1. **Upcoming Meetings:**
		1. Lithium Valley Town Hall - January 23rd - 6pm-8pm at 150 W Main Street, Calipatria Ca
		2. Salton Sea CEQA Scoping Meeting – January 23rd – 6pm-8pm – North Shore Yacht Club – 99155 Sea View Drive, Mecca CA
		3. Health and Wellness Fair hosted by Bombay Beach ECO Group February 12th after Commodities 9am-1pm at the Community Center
12. **BOARD DISCUSSION/DIRECTIVES**: Add public Refrigerator at Community Center on the Agenda for February 20, 2025 meeting. Post open position for Board Member.
13. **DIRECTOR REPORTS:**
14. **ADJOURNMENT**: Motion to adjourn at 8:05pm made by Director Fusco. Seconded by Director Leslie. Vote: 4-0-0



