



**BOMBAY BEACH COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
BOMBAY BEACH, CALIFORNIA**

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Regular Meeting Minutes

Board of Directors

Michael Burnell – Chairperson
Krystal Worden – Vice Chair
Louis Knight
Gloria Town
William Rohler

Date: November 18, 2021
Time: 06:00 P.M.
Place: 9590 Ave. C Bombay Beach
Niland, CA 92257

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m. by Director Burnell.

A. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Secretary Sadorra.

B. Roll Call

Director Burnell	Present
Director Worden	Present
Director Knight	Present
Director Town	Present
Director Rohler	Present

Five of five Directors present. Quorum met.

Staff Present: Secretary: Augustine Sadorra

2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** The Board will approve the agenda for November 18, 2021 Regular Meeting as is or delete/clarify any item on the agenda.

Motion made by Director Knight to approve the agenda for November 18, 2021 Regular Meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Director Burnell. Motion passed by unanimous vote of Board members present. (5 -0-0)

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The Board will review and approve the meeting minutes of the Special Called Meeting from June 17, 2021. Motion made by Director Knight to approve the meeting minutes from the Special Called Meeting of June 17, 2021 as presented by staff. Motion seconded by Director Worden. Motion passed by unanimous vote of Board members present. (5-0-0)
4. FINANCIAL REPORT The Board will hear a report on the financial status of the District as of October 31, 2021.

A.	County Auditor Account.	\$ 2,528.81	
	Positive Balance in County Fund Account	\$ 2,528.81	
B.	Bank of America Accounts		
	General Checking Account (ending 1946)	\$ 5,718.91	
	Savings Account (6398) Bombay North	22,712.05	
	Savings Account (5949)	65,760.84	
	Savings Account (8163)	91,738.59	
	Bank Accounts Total	\$ 185,930.39	
TOTAL CASH ASSETS			<u>\$188,459.20</u>

In discussion, thank you to the Ministry of Kordata for their donation of \$5,137.66 for continuation of the trash collection program. Director Knight reported rental income of \$3,000.00 for the Community Center from Under the Naked Umbrella movie crew. A grant was received from the County for \$500.00 to be spent for the children’s summer programs. Director Knight also reported that over the past two years no donations had come in from Fountain of Youth due to the closure of the Canadian U.S. border. Now that the border is reopening a fund raiser will probably occur next February.

Motion to approve the financial report was made by Director Knight. Motion seconded by Director Burnell. Motion passed by unanimous vote of Board members present. (5-0-0)

5. 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 approved Agenda.

Sonia – Asked when can local public activities be held at the Community Center like the get-togethers we used to have,
 Director Knight commented that there would be no charge to have community events at the Center.

Sonia asked when would the window shades be replaced. Director Knight commented that he had authority to spend \$500.00 on building repairs and maintenance and would have the shades replaced.

Kim- wanted some information on the childrens summer grant.

Uber – Wanted to know if something could be done to replace the bright white light that has been put on the cell tower. I used to be a red light.

Kin – reported that the street light at Highway 111 and A avenue was inoperative.

6. OLD BUSINESS – DISCUSSION/ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

- A. County Roads Department - The Board will hear an update from the Imperial County Public Works on the status of the plan to upgrade Bombay Beach Public Streets.

A presentation by John Gay, County Public Works Director. The street plan is to start in early spring. The Hold Group will work the street plan to overlay all streets from Highway 111 to 4th Street and gravel cover 5th street. Cost of project is estimated at \$2.8 million.

- B. Flooding at Bombay Beach - The Board will discuss the need for County to assist in preventing flooding at Bombay Beach.
Public Work Director addressed some issues in working the flood problem because of the 5th street berm. This issue will take much coordination between Imperial Irrigation District (IID) Coachella Valley Water District and the County. It was mentioned that IID had already performed a site survey and a recommended fix. County had previously issued a grant of \$60,000.00. However, only \$30,000.00 would be released to cover the initial permitting. In the end, no grant was issued because the County estimates to get permitting would be in excess of the \$30K and there would not be enough funds to dig through the 5th street berm. Mr. Gay recommended re-contacting IID to see if this issue could be revived.

ITEM 7F. Motion made by Director Burnell to move item 7F to be discussed at this point to accommodate IID presenter to make a presentation. Motion seconded by Director Knight. Motion passed by unanimous vote of Board members present. (5-0-0)

Support for Imperial Irrigation Districts (IID) Application to the 2021 BRIC Grant Program to repair damage to IIDs power transmission lines.

A presentation made by Robert Schettler, IID Public Information Officer. Presentation made to inform public of the need to have Bombay Beach Community Services District support the IID application for the BRIC Grant Program.

Motion to approve the Letter of Support to FEMA for the IID application for to the 2021 BRIC Grant Program was made by Director Burnell. Motion seconded by Director Knight. Motion passed by unanimous vote of Board members present. (5-0-0)

The Letter of Support was signed by the Board President and presented to IID representative Robert D. Schettler.

- C. Beautification of A Street and Plant-a-Tree Program (Introduced May 16, 2019)
The Board will discuss the ideas and inputs from the public on how to beautify A Street and the possibly of starting a plant a tree program to beautify Bombay Beach.(Knight)

Discussion was around planting mesquite trees.

- D. Southern Border Broadband Consortium (SBBC). The Board will receive information on the viability of having a District Board Member attend SBBC meetings to enhance the possibility of bringing Broadband to Bombay Beach (Tabled Oct 19, 2020)(Burnell)

Motion made by Director Burnell to remove item from agenda due to lack of local ability to engage with SBBC. Motion seconded by Director Knight. Motion passed by unanimous vote of Board members present. (5-0-0)

- E. Training Opportunities for Directors and Staff. A report will be heard on the required to receive Sexual Harassment and Ethics Training within one year of assuming the position of Board Member and every two years thereafter. All Directors have completed all required training requirements.
- F. Scheduling future Board Meetings. The Board will discuss and establish the meeting schedule for 2022. Options for meeting schedule was discussed. Item carried to next meeting.

7. NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION/ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING:

- A. 2020-2021 Final Financial Report – The Board will approve the Final 2020-2021 Financial Audit Report.

Motion to approve the 2020-2021 Final Financial Report was made by Director Burnell. Motion seconded by Director Worden. Motion passed by unanimous vote of Board members present. (5-0-0)

- B. Imperial County Health Department Citation – The Board will report out on the status of the use of the District Building for public use.(Burnell)

In communications with the Imperial County Public Health Department, Mr. Mario Salinas clarified that the Notice of Violation for Illegal food vending operations on September 12, 2021 will be considered a warning letter to the District

- C. The Board will discuss the Upgrade of the Kitchen area of the District Building to meet County requirements use the Kitchen for public events.(Burnell)

In communications with the Imperial County Public Health Department, Mr. Fernando Villa, he explained that the food facility would need to be certified. Contact made with Inspector Fernando Villa to request a consultation visit to explore the certification process.

Motion made by Director Worden to submit the consultation for inspection of the facility. Motion seconded by Director Knight. Motion passed by unanimous vote of Board members present. (5-0-0)

Secretary was directed by the Board to report findings of facility inspection at next meeting.

- D. Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). Report from the Board on all Imperial County Special Districts joining LAFCO. (Rohler)

Director Rohler attended the LAFCO meeting on October 6, 2021 in El Centro. LAFCO presented a sample resolution that all Special Districts were requested to submit to their Boards for approval and a draft memorandum of understanding (MOU) to submit to LAFCO.

IID would pay 92.5% of the membership fee to gain membership to LAFCO. The MOU would require all Imperial County Special Districts to pay 1/3 of LAFCO's budget of \$227,750.00 this would cost Bombay Beach approximately \$60.00.

On Oct 19 2021, IID Director notified all Special Districts that the IID the board failed to take action on the resolution to join LAFCO, support special district representation.

Without IID absorbing a majority of the cost for special districts to join the LAFCO Board. Motion made by Director Rohler to not join the LAFCO Board, Motion seconded by Director Knight. Motion passed by unanimous vote of Board members present. (5-0-0)

- E. Report on the Application for the COVID-19 Relief for Special District's Funding.

California Department of Finance's (DOF) opened up a grant possibility for the COVID-19 Relief for Special District's Funding. Bombay Beach application for the grant was acknowledged by the State on November 18, 2021.

- G. The District will discuss the possibility of allowing the art display known as "Ascension" to be set up on Bombay North (Burnell) Ascension originator made a presentation. The Board will review information received and make a decision at next regular meeting.
- H. The Board will discuss and consider purchasing two Perpetual Wall Plaques to list deceased members of the community.(Knight)

Motion made by Director Burnell to approve Purchasing one Perpetual Wall Plaques to list deceased members of the community. Motion seconded by Director Rohler. Motion passed by unanimous vote of Board members present. (5-0-0)

- I. The Board will discuss how to consider offers from various agencies interested in purchasing the lease on the Districts Cell Tower.(Knight)

The Board directed this item be carried to next meeting.

8. COMMUNITY REPORTS:

- A. Fire Department – Director Knight reported that the Fire Department is doing fine. He announced that a fund raiser for Emergency Services is planned at Fountain of Youth to be held around February.
- B. Women's Club – Director Town reported that the Childrens Halloween party was very successful. A childrens Christmas party is planned for December 18, 2021.
- C. Local Activities – None reported
- D. Update on Neighborhood Watch Program (Burnell) – due to no activity on the Neighborhood Watch program, the Board directed the subject be taken off the agenda.

E. Committee to Improve Community Relations (Monroe & Guiffre) - due to no activity on the Committee, the Board directed the subject be taken off the agenda.

9. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL TO ISSUE DEMANDS: It is recommended that the Board approve payment of accounts payable in the form of demands. Copy of list of demands is available upon request.

Motion made by Director Burnell to approve accounts payable totaling \$ 4,046.00. Motion seconded by Director Worden. Motion passed by unanimous vote of Board members present. (5-0-0)

10. The Board will go into CLOSED SESSION. § 54956.8 - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. - Property: 2108 First Street Niland, CA 92257. APN: 002-202-005-001. Agency Negotiator: Blain Jones, Post 801 American Legion, Post Commander. Discussion with negotiator in regards to rental terms for the American Legion site.

Motion made by Director Knight to go into Closed Session, motion seconded by Director Worden. Motion passed by unanimous vote of Board members present. (5-0-0)

Director Rohler recused himself from negotiations to discuss American Legion rental due to possible conflict of interest in the matter.

The Board went into closed session at 8:09 P.M.

The Board returned to open session at 8:24 P.M.


Report out of Closed Session: Director Burnell reported that the Board and American Legion Post 801 negotiator/manager agreed to set the rent at \$250.00 per month beginning December 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 with a renegotiation for rent in June 2022.

Motion to approve the change in rental charges to the American Legion Post 801 to \$250.00 per month beginning December 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 at which time the rental charges may be revisited. Motion seconded by Director Knight. Motion passed by Majority of Board members Present. (4-0-1)

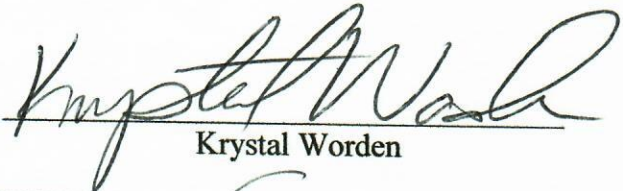
11. BOARD DISCUSSION/DIRECTIVES: none
12. DIRECTOR REPORTS: The next regular meeting of the Bombay Beach Community Services District is planned for **December 16, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.** This is a tentative date based on the progress of COVID-19 recovery.

13. ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Director Burnell to adjourn. Motion seconded by Director Knight. Motion passed by unanimous vote of Board members present. (5-0-0)

Meeting adjourned at 08:28 p.m.



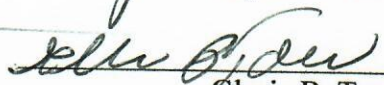
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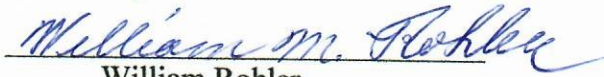
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Attested to: 
Augustine Sadorra, Secretary to the Board of Directors