

Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District
Board of Directors Special Session
February 11th, 2023 @ 1 pm

1. **Board Members Present:** Herb Benshoof, Pat Sherman, Aaron Parris, Mark Rasdall, Ted Adolay and Mike Leavitt
2. **Board Members Absent:** Josh Edwards
3. **Also, Present:**
 - a. **Staff:** Nick Johann
 - b. **CSCD Attorney:** Roger Young
 - c. Estimated 25 freeholders in attendance & numerous online viewers.
4. **Welcome:** Mr. Parris called the meeting to order at 1:12 PM
5. **Election Results:**
 - a. Joe Kurdziel withdrew his candidacy after the annual meeting.
 - b. Mr. Young read the Oath of Office to Mr. Adolay who agreed to the oath.
6. **Freeholder Concerns:**
 - a. Marcia Harper introduced herself and spoke about the timeline of events of how she believed she was appointed to the security commission. She felt she was a part of that commission and enjoyed both being on the commission and being the secretary. She did believe it was a clerical error made by the Board that her seat on the commission was being questioned. She also believed that there were 3 freeholders who had applied, and they would do a great job. She wanted the Board to consider not adding the previous Board Member to the Commission. She said that if the Board wanted transparency, they could post meeting recordings of the Board Meetings and Commission Meetings to the website.
 - b. Mike Fouch introduced himself and noted that he had been here for 23 years. He said that he was one of the freeholders who was willing to serve on the security commission. He wanted to know why he was not even considered for the position and why the Board was putting a previous Board Member on that Commission. He noted that he was never contacted on why he thinks that he would be a good commission member. He asked the Board why he wasn't given a thought and what the criteria is to serve on the security commission. Mr. Parris answered his questions from his personal perspective that he had reached out to some of the people who signed his petition and he thanked Mike for his service. Mr. Parris explained that as his own personal opinion as to why a previous Board Member is more valuable to this commission is because he has been negotiating with the Sheriff and he has served on the security commission. Mr. Parris then noted that he was choosing one of the other candidates that applied because of his law enforcement background. Mr. Sherman wanted to clarify that the security commission is not involved in the negotiation with the sheriff. Mr. Leavitt concluded that the previous Board Member was still on the negotiations committee, so regardless of him being on the security commission he is still involved in the negotiations.

- c. Mike Gaither introduced himself as president of the CSLOA and he attended to represent what some of the members had brought to him. He said some of their members are upset about the potential removal of a security commission member. He asked the Board to take some time and look at that and reevaluate that. Mike asked for clarification he asked if what he heard about the Sheriff department is that they would not enforce CSCD rules. Mr. Sherman noted that we have not asked the Sheriff's to do that. Aaron noted that was correct that they would only enforce the laws.

MOTION: Mr. Rasdall made a motion to suspend security commission appointments until the February 21st Board Meeting, seconded by Mr. Leavitt . Motion passed unanimously.

- d. Jay Nogan wanted to interject and mention that as everything else that has been mentioned with conjecture that it is possible that the possible security commission member who is being questioned on if they were approved to the commission could have showed up at the meeting volunteered to be secretary and no one questioned.
- e. Randy Brumfield spoke about the security commission meetings and said they are pretty chaotic. He mentioned he has requested 4 times for the rule book and at an actual board meeting he has requested when the rule book would be completed. He believes the security commission is partly responsible for the lack of security in the conservancy.

MOTION: Mr. Benshoof made a motion to reappoint Brenda Maulden, Jim Donnell and Randy Brumfield to the ecology commission, seconded by Mr. Parris. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Rasdall made a motion to reappoint Phil Kenney to the roads commission, seconded by Mr. Sherman. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Parris made a motion to reappoint Denise Caudill to the water commission, seconded by Mr. Rasdall. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Sherman made a motion to change the rule to allow builders on the building commission but to recuse themselves from any projects that they are involved with and have a personal interest in, seconded by Mr. Benshoof. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Sherman made a motion to reappoint Dennis Cameron and Cully Kinnick to the building commission, seconded by Mr. Rasdall. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Sherman made a motion to appoint Matt Petersen as the Area 3 representative and Michael Weber as the

Area 5 representative and Mike Leavitt to the finance committee, seconded by Mr. Parris. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Sherman made a motion to reappoint all current CSLOA members to the commission they currently serve on, seconded by Mr. Rasdall. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Adjourn (2:24 PM)

MOTION: Mr. Parris moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Benshoof. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mike Leavitt", written over a horizontal line.

Mike Leavitt, Board Secretary

Date Submitted: