



County of Los Alamos

1000 Central Avenue
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Minutes

Environmental Sustainability Board

Lisa Bakosi, Chair; Heather Ward, Vice-Chair; Susan Barns; Dorothy Brown; Amanda MacDonald; Warren Mazanec; and Heidi Rogers; Members

Thursday, March 21, 2019

5:30 PM

1000 Central Avenue, Suite 110

1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

The ESB Chair, Lisa Bakosi, called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. The following members were in attendance:

Present: Board Chair Bakosi, Vice-Chair Ward, Member Barns, Member Brown, Member Mazanec and Member MacDonald

Absent: Member Rogers

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Member Barns, seconded by Member Mazanec, that the agenda be approved as presented.

The motion passed unanimously

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[11830-19](#) Approval of the February 21, 2019, Environmental Sustainability Board Minutes

Presenters: Lisa Bakosi

Attachments: [A - Draft ESB Minutes February 21, 2019](#)

A motion was made by Member Barns, seconded by Member Mazanec, that the February 21, 2019 minutes be approved as presented.

The motion passed with Vice-Chair Ward abstaining.

5. BOARD BUSINESS

[11833-19](#) The Climate Crisis and Its Solutions Presented by Julia Ying

Presenters: Lisa Bakosi

Attachments: [B - The Climate Crisis and Its Solutions Presented by Julia Ying](#)

Julia Ying has been personally trained by former US Vice President Al Gore and The Climate Reality Project to serve as a volunteer Climate Reality Leader for the Climate Reality Leadership Corps. The presentation informed and educated the ESB and public about the climate crisis and its solutions so they can be encouraged to take part in its solutions to transition our world to a sustainable future.

11836-19 Proposed Commercial Rate Increase

Presenters: Lisa Bakosi

Attachments: [D - Draft Proposed Commercial Rate Increase](#)

Environmental Services has developed several options to meet the current deficit in the Commercial Program area. They presented the options to the ESB and discussed the options and other solutions. Member Mazanec had a few more questions for Angelica to look into for the next meeting.

11832-19 SMM Food Waste Source Reduction Webinar Overview by Sara Thurgood

Presenters: Lisa Bakosi

Attachments: [C - SMM Food Waste Reduction Webinar Overview by Sara Thurgood](#)

Environmental Services Office Specialist Sara Thurgood presented an overview of the SMM Food Waste Source Reduction webinar provided by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The information included in the presentation was about how businesses can reduce food waste and save money by implementing food recovery strategies.

11834-19 Barranca Elementary Waste Audit Presentation

Presenters: Angelica Gurule

Attachments: [E - E - Barranca Elementary Waste Audit Results](#)

Ms. Angela Lopez's 3rd grade students performed a waste audit of lunch room trash. Students learned about the different types of waste that are being generated and recommended ways in which trash can be reduced either by preventing waste in the first place, recycling, composting or sharing.

6. REPORTS

A. Chair's Report - Lisa Bakosi

Board Chair Bakosi attended the B&C luncheon and let them know the creation of the Save as You Throw sub-committee will be going to council. She also talked about the upcoming events that Environmental Services and Zero Waste team will be participating in.

B. Board Member Reports

Board Member Mazanec commented on the customer service being given by Donald

Baros at the Overlook Convenience Center. He also noted that the fencing for the station should be worked on to prevent illegal dumping. Angelica Gurule gave a quick update on the station. Board member Barns commented on a meeting she attended in Taos about renewable energy. Kathleen Taylor commented on renewable energy that could be placed in buildings in Los Alamos, as well as raise awareness that the old buildings in Los Alamos need to be upgrade to make them more efficient. Member Barns also touched on the Save as You Throw soon-to-be sub-committee.

C. Liaison's Reports

1). Board of Public Utilities - Sue Barns

Member Barns reported that the roundabout construction started and will take 2 years. Otowi Well #2 drill is done and will be tested soon. They have signed the contract for the SMART meters. As well as talked about the big wind storm. FY2020 budget was approved.

2). Planning and Zoning Commission - Vacant

Board Chair Bakosi reported that the upcoming housing developments will be starting spring 2019. The adoption of MU zoning district laid the ground work for several new developments. The following will have public hearings with the PNZ in 2019; 70 affordable rental units on DP Road called the Canyon Walk apartments, 150 market rate rental units on the former Lasso Site by the hospital called the Hill, 80 affordable units for senior living on DP Road.

3). Transportation Board - Heather Ward/Don Machen

Board Chair Bakosi gave an update from when she was at the B & C luncheon.

4). Parks and Recreation Board - Heidi Rogers

Update was given in the board member report.

Member Mazanec gave an update on the Community Development Advisory Board meeting he attended. There was discussion on clarity and wording on certain codes.

6). County Council Liaison - Antonio Maggione

County Council Liaison Maggione reported that the council is looking forward to hearing from the boards and approving what is needed to be approve.

D. Subcommittee/Team Reports

1). Los Alamos Public Schools Team - Lisa Bakosi

Board Chair Bakosi reported that the High School Eco Club got permission to march in the Global Strike event in Santa Fe that was also a global event. She also mentioned that the high school is working on a Green New Deal and the Sunrise Movement. The Green Earth club in the middle school are creating posters to educate about recycling.

Jody Benson commented on the meeting she attended with the Middle School Green Earth Club.

2). **Zero Waste Los Alamos - Dorothy Brown**

Member Brown summarized the meeting that was held, including the presentation on Turning Waste into Profit, restructuring of the meetings, future outreach activities and the celebration of the Zero Waste team turning 1 year old.

7. **STAFF REPORT**

Staff Liaison Angelica Gurule reported that Environmental Services started brush pick up this month. The test run to deliver glass to Coorsmiller in Golden Colorado went really well and want to continue taking glass.

[11831-19](#)

February 2019 Residential Sustainability Report

Presenters: Angelica Gurule

Attachments: [F - Residential Sustainability Report Without Brush - February 2019](#)

Staff liaison Angelica Gurule went over February's residential sustainability report.

8. **PREVIEW OF UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS**

Work plan for 2020

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Member Mazanec, seconded by Member Barns, that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

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