



County of Los Alamos

BCC Meeting Minutes - Draft

Environmental Sustainability Board

1000 Central Avenue
Los Alamos, NM 87544

*Joseph Chandler, Chair; Hermann Geppert, Vice-Chair; Shannon Blair; Armand Groffman;
Erik Loechell; KokHeong McNaughton, and Dina Pesenson*

Thursday, February 15, 2024

5:30 PM

1000 Central Avenue, Council Chambers
and Zoom

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1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

5:34 p.m. - Member Geppert absent.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve agenda by Member Groffman, seconded by Member McNaughton - the motion approved unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[18420-24](#) Approval of the January 18, 2024, Environmental Sustainability Board Minutes

Presenters: Joseph Chandler

Motion to approve minutes as amended by Member McNaughton, seconded by Member Groffman - the motion was approved unanimously.

5. BOARD BUSINESS

[18423-24](#) Biosolid Composting Operation Update

Presenters: Joseph Chandler

Joshua Silva, Waste Water Treatment Superintendent for the Los Alamos County gave a presentation on the Bio-Solids Composting Operations.

18419-24

Baling Twine Recycling Presentation by Lisa Reader

Presenters: Joseph Chandler

Lisa Reader, Los Alamos County citizen gave a presentation on Baling Twine Recycling.

18429-24

Discuss the Design and implementation of Climate Action Plan Survey

Presenters: Public Information Officer Julie Williams-Hill and Angelica Gurule

Public Information Officer Julie Williams-Hill discussed creating a Climate Action Plan Survey.

18428-24

Review and Approve the FY25 Work Plan

Presenters: Joseph Chandler

Motion to approve FY24 Work Plan with amendments mentioned by Chair Chandler by Member Blair, seconded by Member Groffman - the motion was approved unanimously.

18431-24

Revise and Appoint Liaison Assignments

Presenters: Joseph Chandler

Member Pesenson motioned that the Environmental Sustainability Board keep the following liaison assignments for the Board of Public Utilities and for Transportation Board and switch Parks and Recreation Board lead to Member Blair and Member Pesenson as backup, seconded by Member Blair - the motion was approved unanimously.

6. REPORTS

A. Chair's Report - Joseph Chandler

Chair Chandler reported that he spent time in New York and Houston. He mentioned that the state of sustainability and ESG has changed and is constantly evolving. There is no standardization of metrics or adopted practices between companies. He would like for the ESB members to be open minded and for more community participation.

B. Board Member Reports

1). Board of Public Utilities - Armand Groffman/Erik Loechell

None

2). Transportation Board - Hermann Geppert/Erik Loechell

None

- 3). **Parks and Recreation Board - Dina Pesenson/Shannon Blair**

None

- 4). **County Council Liaison - Randall Ryti**

Councilor Ryti mentioned that he looked forward to working with ESB.

- Mentioned some ideas on how to get people more interested in attending or watching meetings.**
- Councilor Ryti is also the liaison to the Parks and Recreation Board and mentioned that at their last meeting they talked about areas that are parks; however, are not actively being used and on wildlife, and some areas that need restoration.**
- Reported that he had traveled to Washington, DC attending Federal Work Group advocacy meetings talking to our delegation and Department of Energy also attended the NACO Legislative Conference he is on their Environmental and Land Use Steering Sub-Committee many interesting items, also had a discussion on grants, there is all kinds of opportunities for cities or counties to get funding for initiatives for the Climate Action Plan.**
- Mentioned that in working on the survey questions he would be happy to sit in meetings.**
- The council meeting on Tuesday, February 20th is a working session. They will be having a discussion on quality-of-life goals, an update from Transportation Board Chair, and presentation on downtown Los Alamos.**
- At the February 27th Council Regular Session important meeting, discussion on the 2023 salary survey, there will be an implementation plan proposed, talking about regional planning, and presentation on the Foxtail project.**
- Mentioned that it will be County Manager's Steven Lynne's last meeting, Council will be recognizing him at that meeting.**

C. Team Reports

- 1). **Bee City Team/Seed Library - KokHeong McNaughton**

Member McNaughton reported that the Bee City team is keeping a tab of organizations and individuals who have indicated they are interested in creating pollinator gardens. Last month there were three organizations and another organization that is now interested is the YMCA Teen Center. She is also keeping a running tab of the number of square footage in Los Alamos County that has been converted into pollinator habitats since 2023. The Bee City application status has been sent in and is being reviewed, should be complete in a few weeks.

Under Community Seed Library report the community seed swap on February 3rd was well attended. It was a lively gathering with people excited about growing food, creating pollinator habitats, and general gardening tips.

Next program will be on Saturday, February 17th, called Garden Planning Design Panel, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Mesa Public Library. Next event will be Saturday, March 2nd to celebrate the first anniversary of operation by having a birthday party.

2). Los Alamos Sustainability Alliance - Angelica Gurule/Kokheong McNaughton

Member McNaughton reported the sustainability meeting has changed the monthly meeting to the 2nd Thursday of the month from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in conference room 200 of the Municipal Building. At the last meeting discussed videotaping individuals and their efforts in the community as to how they are actively helping to save energy. They identified four individuals with topics such as solar panels, electric vehicles, collecting rain and so on. They will be working with PAC 8 for the videos.

7. STAFF REPORT

[18430-24](#) Sustainability Manager Updates

Presenters: Angelica Gurule

Deputy County Manager Linda Matteson reported for Sustainability Manager Angelica Gurule that at the last Council meeting Public Works gave an update on the implementation food waste composting at the Eco Station and using the Aerated Static Piles method was approved by Council and a letter has been signed by the County Manager and has gone to the Department of Energy. Cascadia will be presenting to Council on March 5th on Greenhouse Gas Inventory and will lay out their public engagement plan and steps to accomplish to get us to the final CAP.

8. PREVIEW OF UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS:

- Downtown Master Plan Update
- Artic Presentation by Joel Rowland

9. ADJOURNMENT

8:02 p.m.

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<i>Joseph Chandler</i>	11/13/2024
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