

County of Los Alamos BCC Meeting Minutes Environmental Sustainability Board

1000 Central Avenue Los Alamos, NM 87544

Joseph Chandler, Chair; Hermann Geppert, Vice-Chair; Sue Barns; Shannon Blair; Jyl DeHaven; Jesse Deringer, and Rebecca Paley-Williams

Thursday, August 15, 2024

5:30 PM

1000 Central Avenue, Council Chambers and Zoom

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL

All Members Present

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as amended by Member Geppert, second by Member Blair the motion pass unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

19082-24 Approval of the July 18, 2024, Environmental Sustainability Board Minutes

Presenters: Angelica Gurule

Motion to approve the minutes as amended by Member Geppert, second by Member Blair the motion pass unanimously.

5. BOARD BUSINESS

<u>19087-24</u> Welcome new Environmental Sustainability Board Members

Presenters: Joseph Chandler

Newly elected members were welcomed and introduced.

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19089-24

Overview of the Harnessing Transformational Technologies (HTT) Symposium on "Confronting the Threats of Climate Change to Global Security"

Presenters: Angelica Gurule

Sustainability Manager Angelica Gurule attended the Harnessing Transformational Technologies Symposium, along with Paula Paciorek, LANL Sustainability Program Manager gave a briefing on what they learned and what was presented.

19088-24

The Challenges of Energy, Climate and Sustainability - A Look at Macro Trends and Data by Joseph Chandler

<u>Presenters:</u> Joseph Chandler

Chair Chandler gave a presentation on the "The Challenges of Energy, Climate and Sustainability", what is sustainability, why is it important, and who do you trust.

19083-24

Discuss and Appoint Liaison Assignments

Presenters: Joseph Chandler

Motion to remove and add the following assignments

Shannon Blair - Parks and Recreation Board

Herman Geppert Transportation Board
Jesse/Shannon Board of Public Utilities

Jyl DeHaven/Sue Barns Los Alamos Sustainability Alliance

Jyl DeHaven Health Council

Will keep informed of Community Wide-EV Charging Plan and Fleet Conversion Plan and will decide who will attend at a later date motion second by Member Geppert the motion passed unanimously.

6. REPORTS

A. Chair's Report - Joseph Chandler

None

1). Board of Public Utilities - Vacant

None Transportation Board - Hermann Geppert

2).

None

3). Parks and Recreation Board - Shannon Blair

Council Ryti reported

4). County Council Liaison - Randall Ryti

Councilor Ryti reported on items that went to Council at the July meetings, he also mentioned the "Dashboard" that is on the website that shows performance metrics, shows Councilor priorities, one is environmental sustainability. Mentioned the Board and Commissions Manuel and Rules item that was approved for all boards. New task force was approved, the Inclusivity Task Force, will be in place for one year, expected out put will be recommendations weather to have a permanent board. for that kind of activities. Items coming up City of Espanola funding, Bear carts funding, wildlife encounters, and affordable housing. Mentioned the Bear Festival to held on August 24th.

B. Team Reports

1). Bee City Team/Seed Library - Vacant

Sustainability Manager Angelica Gurule reported that the Bee City Team are working on pollinator projects, booth at ScienceFest. Are finished planting everything in the demo garden, official grand opening will be on September 10th. Bee City Team newsletter is online. The Seed Library also had a booth at ScienceFest one fun activity was to guess the seed, how separate seed using electricity and other activities. Going on a tour to a Kalsa farm in Espanola and will be having an iris plant swap at the Unitarian Church September 7th. Information for new members Gaias Pantry at the Unitarian church where you can donate cooked food, spices, leftovers from events, or fresh produce and fruit.

2). Los Alamos Sustainability Alliance - Angelica Gurule

Sustainability Manager Angelica Gurule reported the Los Alamos Sustainability Alliance meet and would like to create a newsletter with all the information that the Los Alamos Sustainability Alliance is working on. Josh Levings from Environmental Services gave an update on waste recycling. Cleanup Los Alamos will be on September 21st. Bear Fest August 24th with lots of fun activities.

7. STAFF REPORT

19085-24 Sustainability Manager Updates

Presenters: Angelica Gurule

Angelica Gurule gave an update on Los Alamos County Sustainability initiatives.

8. PREVIEW OF UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

9. ADJOURNMENT

8:37 p.m.

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Joseph Chandler

11/13/2024

Joseph Chandler, ESB Chair

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