



**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; Sue Barns; Shannon Blair; Jyl DeHaven; Jesse Deringer, and Rebecca Paley-Williams*

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Thursday, December 19, 2024

5:30 PM

1000 Central Avenue, Council Chambers

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**1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL**

5:34 p.m. Member Blair absent and Member DeHaven.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion to approve the agenda by Member Geppert, second by Member Barns the motion passed unanimously.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

[19517-24](#) Approval of the November 12, 2024, Environmental Sustainability Board Minutes

**Presenters:** Joseph Chandler

**Motion to approve the minutes of November 12, 2024 as amended by Member Geppert, second by Member Deringer the motion passed unanimously.**

**5. BOARD BUSINESS**

[19519-24](#) Overview of Proposed Incorporated County of Los Alamos Ordinance Regarding the Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) Program

**Presenters:** Abbey Hayward

**Abby Hayward, Los Alamos County Utilities - Water and Energy Conservation Coordinator together with Eric Christensen , Adelante Consulting, Inc gave an overview of the proposed Incorporated County of Los Alamos Ordinance Regarding the Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) Program.**

**Motion to recommend that County Council approve the proposed Incorporated County of Los Alamos Ordinance Regarding the Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) Program by Member Deringer second by Member Geppert the motion passed 4 to 1 with Chair Chandler opposed.**

**19520-24** Revise the 2025 ESB Work Plan

**Presenters:** Joseph Chandler

**Discussion on the revision of the 2025 ESB Work Plan to be approved at the January 16, 2025 meeting.**

**19518-24** Approval of the 2025 ESB Meeting Schedule

**Presenters:** Joseph Chandler

**Motion to approve the 2025 ESB meeting schedule as amended by Member Geppert, second by Member Deringer the motion passed unanimously.**

**19522-24** Discuss Creating an Outreach and Education Team

**Presenters:** Joseph Chandler

**Discussion on Creating an Outreach and Education Team.**

**6. REPORTS**

**A. Chair's Report - Joseph Chandler**

**Chair Chandler commented that at the January 16, 2025 meeting there will be chair and vice-chair elections.**

**1). Board of Public Utilities - Jesse Deringer/Shannon Blair**

**Member Deringer reported that there have been two Board of Public Utilities (BPU) since the last ESB meeting the main topic at BPU has been the Board contracting a third party for surveying and get opinions on household and business as to how a utilize their utilities and compare that to utilities data they have. Also a presentation on new broad band.**

**2). Transportation Board - Hermann Geppert**

Member Geppert reported that at the Transportation Board meeting two discussions, one NM4 between Sherwood and Mirador Blvd. the other on the NM4 crossing and multi-use trail improvements and how to better fully develop and improve.

- 3). Parks and Recreation Board - Shannon Blair

None.

- 4). Baling Twine - Shannon Blair

None.

- 5). Health Council - Jyl Dehaven

None.

- 6). County Council Liaison - Randall Ryti

Councilor Ryti gave an update on the last County Council meetings, also mentioned that the assignments for Council Liaison will be done at the last County Council meeting in January, he will attend the meeting in January before the new liaison come in.

**B. Team Reports**

- 1). Los Alamos Sustainability Alliance - Sue Barns/Jyl DeHaven

None.

**7. STAFF REPORT**

[19521-24](#) Sustainability Manager Updates

Presenters: Angelica Gurule

Sustainability Manager Angelica Gurule announced the launch of the new Sustainability Newsletter, reported the CAP was approved by County Council, Council also adopted the Carbon Neutrality goal by 2050 and maintained alignment with DPU’s natural gas phase out goal by 2070 for residents and businesses. Sustainability Manager Angelica Gurule thanked Council, ESB, BPU, the Sustainability Alliance, LARES Task Force and all the County for the help in CAP. Applying for food composting grants.

**8. PREVIEW OF UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS**

Upcoming agenda items will be the outreach education team, finalization of the 2025 work plan, the outreach education plan in February, chair and vice-chair elections, and the baling twine update.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

**8:34 p.m.**

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