



County of Los Alamos

BCC Meeting Minutes - Draft

Environmental Sustainability Board

1000 Central Avenue
Los Alamos, NM 87544

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

Thursday, March 20, 2025

5:30 PM

1000 Central Avenue, Council Chambers

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1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

5:34 PM Member Derringer was absent.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[19925-25](#) Approval of February 20, 2025, Environmental Sustainability Board Minutes

Presenters: Shannon Blair

Motion to approve the minutes of February 20, 2025 by Member Geppert-Kleinrath, second by Member Barns the motion passed unanimously.

5. BOARD BUSINESS

[19924-25](#) Water and Energy Conservation Plan Biennial Update by Abbey Hayward

Presenters: Abbey Hayward

Abbey Hayward, Water & Energy Conservation Coordinator for Los Alamos County Utilities Department, gave a brief overview of the biennial Water and Energy Conservation Plan

6. REPORTS

A. Chair's Report - Shannon Blair

Chair Blair reported that she attended the Boards & Commission luncheon, most boards are doing unique things that might be of interest to ESB. Art and Public places are doing some installations around the County, and Parks and Recreation Board is creating a bike group. As ESB is moving forward with education initiatives, Chair Blair sees the Inclusivity Task Force as one of the resources to use when it comes to reaching a broader audience.

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

None.

2). Transportation Board - Hermann Geppert

None.

3). Parks and Recreation Board - Shannon Blair

None.

4). Health Council - Jyl Dehaven

Member DeHaven reported that the Health Council has started a working group to build what she calls a shopping list of needs and wants for Social Services and all the non-profits that works with them on a physical center (community center) will then share with the County as to how they can provide that somewhere. Hoping to take ideas to Council by September.

5). County Council Liaison - Ryn Herrmann

None.

6). Inclusivity Task Force - Xeph Ivankovich and KokHeong McNaughton

Inclusivity Task Force Member KokHeong reported the Task Force started with 7 members they had one member resign, then Council asked for the public to apply and out of 6 people that applied Council appointed three new members and the Task Force now has nine members. The three that did not make the cut, Task Force members contacted them individually and asked them to be in working groups. Each working group has at least one or two, and not more than four Task Force members, some of the working groups are the, BIPOC, Cultural, Economically Disadvantaged, Justic, and LGBTQ. Inclusivity Task Force is also working on a FY25 Working Plan

B. Working Groups and Steering Committee Reports

1). Los Alamos Sustainability Alliance - Sue Barns/Rebecca Paley-Williams

Vice-Chair Barns reported that the Los Alamos Sustainability Alliance met on Tuesday, March 11th, and celebrated the 7-year anniversary of what was the finding of the Zero Waste Los Alamos and what is now the Los Alamos Sustainability Alliance. Discussed items for the newsletter, and other subcommittees. Upcoming events. Los Alamos High School is Eco Club is participating in a youth summit on April 25th, Los Alamos County Earth day will April 22nd and PEEC Earth Day event will be April 26th.

2). Education and Outreach Work Group

None.

3). Fleet Conversion and Community-Wide EV Study Steering Committee - Sue Barns

Vice-Chair Barns reported that she has attended the bi-weekly meetings with Stantec and Los Alamos County staff that are working on coming up with the Fleet Conversion and Community-Wide EV plans for the community. She also summarized the scope of work of the plan.

4). Plastic Bag Research Working Group - Shannon Blair, Rebecca Paley-Williams, Hermann Geppert

Member Geppert-Kleinrath reported that the plastic bag working group.

5). Bee City Los Alamos - Britton Donharl

None.

7. STAFF REPORT

[19926-25](#) Sustainability Manager Updates

Presenters: Angelica Gurule

Sustainability Manager Angelica Gurule reported that subscribers to the newsletter are growing. Working on the study of implementation of EV infrastructure to 3 level chargers and replacing the 3 existing chargers will be a total of 6 chargers in the Muni. Bldg. They will be networked for price for service and metered to look at usage, and the company will provide operation and maintenance. Los Alamos County Earth Day is April 22nd 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., will also participate at the PEEC Earth Day event on April 26th, and the DPU Water Festival on May 20th and 21st.

8. PREVIEW OF UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

-Fleet Conversion Plan and Community-Wide EV Charging Plan by Angelica Gurule

9. ADJOURNMENT

6:37 p.m.

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