



County of Los Alamos Meeting

BCC Meeting Minutes - Final

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, January 16, 2025

5:30 PM

1000 Central Avenue, Council Chambers

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1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

5:35 p.m. Member Geppert absent

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the December 19, 2024, Environmental Sustainability Board Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of December 19, 2024 as amended by Member Paley-Williams, second by Member Barns the motion passed unanimously.

5. BOARD BUSINESS

Election of Environmental Sustainability Board Chair and Vice-chair

Elections for Chair and Vice-Chair were held, Member Blair was elected chair by a roll call vote of 6-0 with Member Geppert absent, for vice-chair Member Barns was voted 6-0 with Member Geppert absent .

Revise and Approve the 2025 Environmental Sustainability Board Work Plan

Discussion on the revision and approval of the 2025 ESB Work Plan.

Motion to approve the 2025 ESB Work Plan as amended by Member Chandler, second by Member Deringer the motion passed unanimously

Discuss and Possibly Form an Outreach and Education Working Group(s)

Discussion and possibly form an Outreach and Education Working Group to continue at the February 20th meeting.

6. REPORTS

A. Chair's Report - Joseph Chandler

None.

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

None.

2). Transportation Board - Hermann Geppert

None.

3). Parks and Recreation Board - Shannon Blair

Member Blair reported that the Parks and Recreation Board received a presentation on trail improvements along State Rd 4 as well as crossing concerns on State Rd 4 and where the new homes were built. Member Barns also commented that there will be an upcoming presentation on the revisions of the open space and trails management plan.

4). Baling Twine - Shannon Blair

Member Blair reported the stable owners got permission for Cory Styron, CSD Director, via email to store bailing twine at the stables. Shannon is working with Environmental Services to add Bailing Twine info to Recycle Coach tool. She asked for ESB to help as needed. The Bailing Twine Work Group has sunset.

5). Health Council - Jyl Dehaven

Member DeHaven reported that the Los Alamos County Health Council got their Health Council Master Plan approved by Council approved in December and they have started in January by committing to do a couple of things to really be aggressive on making some accomplishments. One of the items is looking at State mandates on overall community health

6). County Council Liaison - Ryn Herrmann

Councilor Rytí thanked ESB and commented that it has been a pleasure working serving as liaison for the past year, thanked Member Chandler for serving as chair and congratulated new Chair Blair for her new leadership. Councilor Rytí gave an update on the January 7th and January 14th Council meetings, election of new Council chair and vice chair. Councilor Cull is now chair, and Councilor Havemann is now Vice-chair. On January 14th, ESB was given an assignment to look into.

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

Member Xeph Ivankovich and Member Kokheong McNaughton from the Inclusivity Task Force introduced themselves and explained how inclusivity fits with ESB.

B. Working Group Reports

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

Sustainability Manager Angelica Gurule reported that the Los Alamos Sustainability Alliance met for the first time in a while, lots of talk on the 60-day Legislative Session, KokHeong's great work with the Seed Library, plant exchange, etc. Environmental Services has started shipping waste to the Valenica. PEEC received a nature youth award. LA Daily Post will be sharing the ESB Sustainability Newsletter.

7. STAFF REPORT

Sustainability Manager Updates

Sustainability Manager Angelica Gurule reminded everyone of the ESB Sustainability Newsletter, still applying for grants, one for food composting and the other for installing chargers. The Council has given ESB money to install more charges. Invited everyone on a tour to the City of Albuquerque's to "BRAIN", new technology that tracks water and natural gas use in their buildings, shows any licks, temperature control. The tour will be on February 13th. Shared the "Residential Sustainability Report".

8. PREVIEW OF UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

9. ADJOURNMENT

7:39 p.m.

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Approved:

Shannon Blair, Chair

Date