

**Jefferson County Sustainability Commission Regular Meeting
September 11, 2019 • 4:00 p.m.
Faye Griffin Room, Jefferson County Counts & Admin Building**

Jeff Wong, Chair, call meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

Sustainability Members:

In Person: Jeff Wong (JW), Sydney Hamilton (SH), Matt Mines, Frank Rakavana (FR), Alex Pray (AP)

Via WebEx: Rachel Emmer (RE)

Absent: Erich Harris (EH), Kimberly Pardue Welch (KPW), and Scott Hutchings

Other attendees:

Rakia Ranney, Jeffco Public Health (sp?)

Jasmina Petrovich, Climate Reality Project

Deborah Churchill (DC), Chief of Staff, Jefferson County

Public Comment

No public comment

Approval of Minutes – July 2019 and August 2019

SH made motion to approve. AP second motion. All in favor.

Budget Update

- JW provided an update on current budget/expenses
- DC asked for any purchases via credit card to send her info and she will buy on county credit card
- DC shared with group 2020 budget will be same as 2019
- RE asked for clarification on DOLA grant opportunities and ability to receive
- DC explained all state grants hit TABOR limit for the county
- Group asked about state debrucing and how that would impact the county. DC will research and report back

Climate Action Plan

- RE updated the group on subcommittee (RE, FR, MM) and mtgs being held
 - RE will let DC know of dates/times for open meeting posting
 - Public Health also working on Plan. RE will reach out to Jim Rada
- Work Session with Commissioners scheduled for Nov. 19
- Research/resources available to create Plan and will report back next month
- RE and JW will start looking at grant opportunities for funding options to assist with effort

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Joint Meeting w/Commissioners

- Group discussed agenda for work session on November 19
- Agenda will consist of overview, 2018 summary and climate action plan idea

Upcoming Events for Kit Distribution

- Conifer Chamber event Monday. JW will see if EH can attend
- DC will send Jeff POCs for area Chambers
- RE checked on drive thru event. Not a good fit for kit distribution.
- DC provided POC for Power of Partnership to JW. JW reached out. No events at this time but will stay in touch for the future

Internal Projects

- Infographic
 - Poster (and banner) Update – Sydney will check on
- Sustainability Award
 - EH/JW working together
 - JW to put nomination doc on shared drive. Members nominations due by end of month and discuss at October meeting.
 - Group discussed other options for “award”; something sustainability, not just another trophy to sit on a desk/shelf
 - Group asked if a donation in the name of the winner would be ok per county policies
 - Group discussed presenting winner at Holiday Expo

Waste Management and Benchmarking (Jeffco Schools)

- SH provided an update – planning efforts underway; looking what other counties are doing
 - Working on updated collateral to hand out at events

Educational Exhibit

- Group discussed types, content of exhibit
- All agreed best to target/appeal to kids
- SH will reach out to CSU, Jacki Paone and Nancy O’Brien regarding ideas, what they do, etc.
- JW reached out to Open Space to see if can work together. Jeff will keep members posted.
- Group agreed to have exhibit in place for future PIE events

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Partners in Energy (PIE)

- Jeff updated the group on next steps now that MOU has been approved and signed
- Brendle Group working on updating collateral materials
- Governors Ranch will be 1st group to target
- Help is needed to ID communities to target. AP and JW to work on.
 - Jabez will talk to co-workers and colleagues

2018 Summary Document

- JW/FR to finalize
- Asked members to review and provide feedback
- JW will ask Jabez to format. SH will help as well.
- Completed and on website within next 2 weeks

Waste Diversion/Benchmarking in County

- JW/Scott will continue to work on
- Scott has group of interns looking at project at Waste Management
- Good opportunity to collaborate

Other

- JW asked group if you aren't going to make meeting, notify DC 2-3 weeks out
- JW will send recycle collateral to DC to post on website.

Next Meeting on November 13, 2019
Meeting Adjourned 5:38pm