

**Jefferson County Sustainability Commission Regular Meeting\***  
**October 9, 2019 • 4:00 p.m.**

Attending

Frank Rukavina(FR), Scott Hutchings(Sch), Sydney Hamilton(SyH), ErichHarris(EH), Jeff Wong(JW), Alex Pray(AP), Matt Mines(MM) by phone, Rachel Emmer(RE)

Jabez Meulemans-Jefferson County Sustainability Coordinator

Meeting called to order 4:05

1. Public Comment

Heather Minor from the evergreen alliance for sustainability introduced herself

Jan Rose and Jesmina Petridge [sp] from the climate reality project introduced themselves. She is here to talk about current relevant items on the state legislative agenda

2. Approval of Minutes - September 2019

Motion to approve EH, second Sch

3. Confirm Completion of Sexual Harassment Training by All Members

Roll Call was taken and all in-person members completed. Confirmation from MM and Kimberly Pardue Welch will be required at the next meeting.

4. Budget Update - Erich

No recent expenses

Proposed upcoming expense: 10/24 C-PACE workshop, if PIE funding is not available EH would like to expense for coffee at the meeting

The proposed budget for the next fiscal cycle should be the same as last year

5. 2020 Officer Terms

JW, suggest changing terms to 2 years.

Pros: provides more continuity and more time for a Chair to make progress. With two meetings canceled due to weather, this year provided a bad scenario and delayed progress. Cons: may complicate terms as commission appointments are 3 years. Especially in line of succession for vice-chair.

This will be put to a formal vote at the November meeting

6. Partners in Energy updates

Residential

JW reached out to Governors Ranch and Applewood for interest in home energy festivals.

Hoping to get in one this year. Brendle to get the monthly call started up again.

No holiday expo in the lobby this year

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Opportunity for PIE table at January Event in Evergreen

Heather Minor talked about [sustainableneighborhoodnetwork.org](http://sustainableneighborhoodnetwork.org). Currently, Lakewood has a network; Evergreen is looking at the potential for a similar program. Heather wanted to get initial interest from the commission on if/how they could support such a network in JeffCo starting with Evergreen. She will be putting together 15 minutes to present at the next meeting along with another member of the evergreen alliance.

Commercial

EH is host a C-PACE informational session 10/24/19 8:30-noon in Quad room and is planning on another in December. This meeting could be an opportunity to raffle off conservation kit(s) There has been traction on R-PACE around the country. There are a few small pilots in California, Boulder, and on the East coast.

County

Jabez is expecting a large earth day fair in 2020 for the 50th anniversary.

There is a Smart Cities conference in April. FR recommended that Brendle could have a panel focused on PIE for various communities.

**7. Marketing Materials**

Banner designs were reviewed including one or two-sided options. The double side 12' banner was chosen. The only recommended change is to add the 3 words below the logo to match the existing banner.

Kimberly has the sticker design ready for the energy conservation kits. They just need to be printed

**8. Climate Reality Project presentation - Jan Rose**

Jan runs the state chapter. She provided a handout of the 2019 legislation summary. Major pieces of legislation include 26% GHG reduction by 2025. All new legislation will have to account for GHG effects. There is a piece of legislation dictating the efficiency of new appliances. Jan overviewed various other funding, penalties, and fees associated with wildfire mitigation, waste diversion. Bills to be announced on 10/24/19

There is a large push for EV charging stations; Jabez is working on this. JeffCo Libraries may be applying for funding.

**9. Event Debriefs**

Citizen's Climate Lobby panel 9/24: Jan provided debrief. Mayor met and discussed updates and initiatives

City of Lakewood 9/12 from Frank: Lakewood looking into DORA grant for building energy database, could be used throughout JeffCo. Bill Livingood, at NREL, has different open source

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tracking programs with the ability to mine data from the assessor's offices. Longterm tracking of data can be used to affect zone and building requirements. resources are still limited at the moment, but still able to brief board and lay the groundwork. Collaboration with JeffCo schools is an opportunity. Lakewood interested in commercial building benchmarking as well.

10. Internal Projects

a. 2018 Summary Document

Document finalized by JW, FR, SyH. The final version will include PIE summary as attachment and 1pg infographic.

b. Climate Action Plan - November Work Session

FR, MM, and RE meeting weekly in preparation. The structure has been developed for 11/19 meeting. Jabez followed up with CDPHE, they are focusing on health issues specifically and organizational carbon footprint, future: climate change impacts on Public health.

November Work Session will be scheduled with BCCs to kick off the idea of CAP, County Manager, and County Attorney will be invited. RE and JW to meet with Casey to present structure beforehand

c. Sustainability Awards

Earth day makes the most sense, timing should be good for nominations. The nomination form is finalized. Members to brainstorm ideas of what award should be. Finalize all the format by end of the year.

d. Waste Diversion education update

SyH is cleaning up collateral. ScH and JW spoke with Layla at CU, Environmental Studies program about intern availability, the scope of project may be difficult to make work. Waste Management can potentially provide assistance.

e. Educational Exhibit

SyH reached out to Nancy OBrien, has lots of compost related items that could be brought to events.

f. WebEx meeting proposal

Continuous testing is needed to prove platform is reliable enough to be used formally

Adjourned 5:34

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