



**Jefferson County Sustainability Commission Regular Meeting
September 9, 2020 • 4:00 p.m.
Minutes**

4:00pm convened

Attendees: Jeff Wong (JW), Sydney Hamilton (SyH), Alex Pray (AP), Eric Harris (EH), Scott Hutchings (SH), Kimberly Pardue Welch (KPW), Frank Rukavina (FR)

Absent: Rachel Emmer (RE), Matt Mines (MM),

County Staff: Jabez Meulemans (JM), Deborah Churchill (DC), Steve Snyder (SS), James Rada (JR)

Public Comment

n/a

Approval of Minutes - August 12, 2020

SH made motion to approve. EH seconded motion. All in favor.

County Update

No new updates

Sustainability Foundation

JW let the group know that he, Commissioner Tighe, SyH, SS and DC met with Coors and Community First Foundation ("CFF"). CFF has agreed to lend its non profit status to group and be fiscal sponsor for Foundation. Sustainability Commission will be advisory group to fiscal sponsor. Coors is considering being a donor.

SS received an agreement from CFF and has reviewed. Several areas will need further review/discussion. They include 1) who will enter into the agreement with CFF?; 2) What are the list of projects for the Foundation? Commission members will need to come up with list. All

agree list should include some specifics but not too detailed as to limit the Foundation from pursuing other projects that have not yet been determined or discovered; and 3) Details regarding how funds will be distributed.

JW will work with SyH and get feedback from Commissioner Tighe.

Climate Action Plan

JW let the group know the resolution will appear on the County Commissioners' September 15 hearing agenda. JW, FR and JR will attend and present as needed. DC will send dial-in, agenda details to group once published.

Partners in Energy

JW let the group know the MOU with Xcel expires at the end of the year. Brendle Group will provide data for Energy Efficiency Program. Residential portion is focused on HOAs and an outreach kit has been created. JW/KPW will dist'b to HOAs.

JM let group know the second round of kits have been distributed to Human Services clients. Very well received and working on another set of kits to be distributed in the coming weeks.

Website resources section

JW and KPW working on building out a resource section for the Commissions' webpage. They will send a draft to DC to begin working on layout and design

Carbon Impact Infographic

SyH sent graphic to JW. He is reviewing and asked that it be included in remote participation letter DC is drafting. SyH will send graphic to DC.

Sustainability Awards

DC let group know the recipients will be recognized at the County Commissioners' hearing on September 15. All winners have been notified and arrangements will be made to get awards to them physically after the 15th.

KPW is working on a press release, that will include quotes from winners, as well as quotes from the County Commissioners. Once drafted she will provide to DC to finalize and post on Commissions' webpage.

Other Items

JW asked for a 2020 budget update. DC will provide an update at October meeting. DC clarified with the group they would like to renew the ICLEI membership for 2021, splitting the fee with Public Health as in 2019. DC will bring back at October meeting for formal approval.

DC will bring a draft of the remote participation letter to the October meeting for approval. DC clarified that all county meetings are being held virtually and as consideration of returning to in-person meetings are discussed, letter would be submitted as support to continue virtually held meetings.

JW asked that any working documents, data that members who are leaving commission at end of September be sent to DC.

Adjourned: 5:07pm