

Minutes
Juneau Commission on Sustainability
Wednesday, March 3, 2021
Zoom Conference
12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

12:05 pm, by Chair Gretchen Keiser. Commissioners present: Gretchen Keiser, Lisa Daugherty, Steve Behnke, Anjuli Grantham, David Teal, Duff Mitchell, Jim Powell. CBJ liaison present: Beth McKibben. Assembly liaison present: Alicia Hughes-Skandijs. General public present: Gabe Donohoe, Katie Riley, Niki, and K Roseman.

II. AGENDA CHANGES

None.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. February 3, 2021- Regular meeting

Katie Koester's name needs to be spelled differently. Anjuli moved to approve the minutes.

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

V. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Solid Waste Report and Transmittal Memo (Solid Waste Committee)

Lisa gave a summary of the report and Gretchen of the transmittal memo. The next step is holding sustainability sessions with this information. Alicia wanted JOCS's take on the COW meeting from the previous week. Gretchen, David, and Lisa had listened in and stated there was good discussion but also concern about interest in taking responsibility and some misinformation. Lisa gave a suggestion for the memo to include a line mentioning the RCA/recycling issue to help show CBJ does have power. Steve thought JCAIP should be mentioned in the transmittal memo. Steve made a motion to allow the SW subcommittee to make changes to the transmittal memo and report and submit it to Beth for disbursal by the end of the week. Anjuli 2nded.

b. Climate Impacts and Response Report Update (Jim)

Got skipped, came back to it after c. Jim said the report is 60% drafted. He wants JCOS feedback on their format and would like to have a work session on March 17.

c. Proposed Outreach Series (Anjuli)

Anjuli explained that the series will somewhat parallel Anchorage's series and be based on JRES implementation. It's meant to gain momentum and explore possibilities and partnerships. She will try to get partners as speakers and seek cohosts to increase Zoom Capacity. Jim said UAS is a possible cohost, maybe in conjunction with the release of the Climate Impacts Report in May. Solid Waste session will go first in April to coincide with the release of the JCOS report and the Climate Solutionists March poster of composting. Duff mentioned that there are ways to lobby the RCA for more control of the waste stream. Anjuli will reach out to PW&E department for an April 22 session.

d. Assembly PWFC Action Items (Gretchen)

JCOS is requesting consultant assistance in getting updates to energy use and the city's GHG inventory. Energy savings should be embedded into the CIP process. Beth was wondering about 5C. Adaptation and mitigation were an Assembly goal 2 years ago, and that's where the funding for Jim's UAS paper came out of. There has been a back and forth with Michelle Hale about JCOS having a liaison on the PW&E committee. Steven made a proposal for work plan for updating GHG inventory and wants to discuss it at the next work session.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

a. Centennial Hall Upgrades - HVAC Optimization ReportVII.

There were Centennial Hall upgrades info in the meeting packet. Steve was excited to see life cycle costs and renewables. Maybe the energy chair should send a thank -you email to Nathan Coffee and Katie Koester.

VII. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Gretchen gave background info on her letter to AEL&P. Duff said there are new numbers out based on AEL&P records to the RCA for 2020. Beth said those docs will live @CBJ and if we want access to just request it.

Jim asked where the Sustainability Awards is in the matrix. Gretchen thought it was waiting for a COW meeting.

Duff shared that there is community discussion on CPACE and on-bill financing. There is a webinar on March 9th on nation-wide ev transition as relates to jobs and the economy if anyone is interested in attending.

Duff wants a written statement on where the chicken ordinance from several years ago is. JCOS did it's part to work through that and CBJ needs to follow through.

Beth said the Blueprint Downtown will have a draft for public review later this spring.

Steve shared that Renewable Juneau will have a discussion on CPACE and on-bill financing and to contact him if you want an invitation. Thermalize Juneau met its 150 applicant goal for a group purchase of heat pumps to get them at a lower cost. It shows ongoing interest, and there will be another workshop in March.

VIII. Next meetings

**Monthly Work session/Subcommittee Wednesday March 17, 12PM
ZOOM**

Monthly regular meeting Wednesday April 7, 12 PM ZOOM

IX. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting Adjourned 1:21 pm.

Submitted by Lisa Daugherty, Secretary