

MINUTES
Annual Retreat
Juneau Commission on Sustainability
Saturday, January 19, 2019
Assembly Chambers
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Present: Duff Mitchell (Chair), Steve Behnke, Gretchen Keiser, Ed King, Jim Powell, Christine Woll, Iura Leahu, Jim Rehfeldt, Tim Felstead (Staff).

I. CALL TO ORDER @911AM

II. AGENDA CHANGES – Add discussion item on Climate Change Impacts and Mitigation

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

IV. ACTION ITEMS

- Approve Minutes
 - o November 6, 2018 Regular Meeting - APPROVED
 - o December 5, 2018 Regular Meeting- APPROVED
 - o January 2, 2019 Regular Meeting – APPROVED

Steve made motion to approve. Gretchen 2nd. No objection

- Change Meeting Time for Work Sessions to 4th Wednesday at Lunch Time – APPROVED.
Jim Powell made a motion to support. Gretchen Keiser 2nd. No objection

ACTION: Tim Felstead to find venue

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

- Climate Change Impacts and Mitigation – Jim Powell and Duff summarized a meeting with UAS regarding update of Climate Predictions report that was written in 2007. Assembly member Carole Triem attend the meeting. Ideas were:
 - o an interest in updating the report,
 - o some indicators to help measure, and
 - o to explore having an energy research center in Juneau. This last item is conceptual at the moment. Would need funding from Fed Gvt, Manufacturers
- Officers –

Duff Mitchell was concerned that there is a perception that his role as Chair can be misconstrued as being to biased toward Juneau Hydropower activities. Duff gave summary of role of Chair including the time commitment. Gretchen Keiser also stated that they are there to invigorate the Chairs of sub-committees.

Jim Powell made motion to support Duff as Chair. Jim Rehfeldt 2nd. Ed King objected for the purpose of asking if anyone else was interested. Jim Rehfeldt was happy to get in line for future years but was not interested in this year. Everyone was in favor – motion passed.

Jim Rehfeldt offered to be vice-chair. Motion by Iura, 2nd by Duff. No objection

Jim Powell suggested Tim Felstead's staff time be dedicated to other JCOS activities and that a member could fill the secretary role. Gretchen suggested to rotate it. Christine Woll stated she would be happy to do it. Steve Behnke made motion for Christine Woll. Gretchen 2nd. No objection.

Chair – Duff Mitchell

Vice-chair – Jim Powell

Secretary – Christine Woll

New positions begin at next meeting.

- Review Focus for 2018

Commissioners discussed what they would like priorities to be and what they want to work on. Final list was group under three subcommittees.

Outreach - Christine (Chair), Jim Powell, Duff, Iura, John

Number of aspects to this:

- Sustainability sessions (compost/solid waste – Duff does this belong here or its own separate line?)
- Website/Facebook/Streaming of meetings
- Community liaisons – connection with external committees/organizations/projects
- Examine UAS Heat Pump Research Center
- Connect with other programs/communities

Climate/Energy – Implementation of JCAIP/JRES – Steve (Chair), Gretchen, Jim Rehfeldt

- Electrification of transportation (Dock electrification, and ground transportation including EV charging/VW grant)
- Electrification of space heating with heat pumps – nexus with affordable housing
- CBJ Energy Management – CBJ leading CBJ including fleet/Capital Transit vehicles/monitoring/building improvements

Sustainability Impacts and Indicators - (Jim Powell (Chair), Iura, Jim Rehfeldt

- Incorporate broader meaning of sustainability (more holistic) where possible (use existing local indicators/data)
- Review and update methodology for carbon emissions/community energy for JCAIP/JRES.

- Update on 2007 Climate change impacts on Juneau report/need for mitigation
 - Relevant input to Comprehensive Plan
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- Annual Report – Tim Felstead reminded JCOS this was due June 2019
 - Future Presentations – Sustainability Sessions – Cruiseship emissions and Air quality came to mind.

ACTION: Commission members would provide suggested topics to Christine Woll.

VI. ADJOURNMENT - 1125AM