



**Energy & Climate Team**  
Meeting Minutes  
December 11, 2015, 12:00 pm  
City Council Chambers

**Members Present:** Ben Schmidt, Brian Kerns, Diana Maneta, Robin Saha, Dave Potchak

**Members Absent:** John Freer, Sara Rinfret

**Others Present:** Chase Jones, Chris Essman, Kelly Elam

**Facilitators:** Sustainable Business Council and Chamber of Commerce

**I. Announcements:**

The City and Climate Smart Missoula are planning a project together identifying cool and clean air, energy efficiency, resources and other topics. They are currently raising funds for the project.

Chris Essman is working with Chase Jones and he is helping with the Greenhouse Gas Emissions update.

**II. Approve minutes for September 11, 2015**

The minutes were approved as submitted.

**Administrative:**

**A. City update – Green Buildings, Climate Action Plan Update, Solar Road Map Progress.**

Chase said they continue to work on upgrading the recycling project. Recyclables will go into one bin and it will get separated at the recycling plant. This will be more convenient for City employees and take up less room.

Solar Road Map Project – The City has contracted with Rick and he and a team has viewed the sites. There are 15 sites with high potential. The

highest number level is 354 kilowatts of solar potential for the 15 sites. There will be more details and updates as the project progresses.

Diana said Solarize Missoula and several other organizations are involved with projects to make solar more affordable, and all property owners are eligible. There was a public workshop on Dec. 1 located at the Public Library and 150 people attended.

**Non-Action Item**

B. Renewable Energy Project Fund Raiser details for October 18, 2015

Ben said the Pumpkin Run had 350 participants and raised \$1670.00 and the proceeds was split between the UM and the Food Bank. There were more expenses than expected, so the proceeds were low. The Pumpkin Run for next year is scheduled on October 15, 2016. The proceeds will go towards a renewable project and the goal is to raise \$2000. There were suggestions and comments.

**Action Items:**

None

**Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 12:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Elam  
City Clerk Office