



Energy & Climate Team
Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2017 at 12:00 pm
140 W. Pine, Missoula, MT

Members Present: Brian Kerns, Michael Dorshorst, Ben Schmidt, Marcia Brownlee, Bart Mihailovich, Gwen Lankford Spencer

Members Absent: Robin Saha, Craig Couch, Max Boese

Others Present: Kelly Elam

I. Announcements:

Home Resources, 1515 Wyoming Street is hosting the Zero by Fifty, Missoula's pathway to zero waste open house tonight from 5 to 8 pm. Chase Jones, Energy Conservation and Climate Action Coordinator is involved with the event and was not able to attend the E&C Team meeting.

II. Public comments on items not listed on the agenda:

None

III. Approve meeting minutes:

Minutes for September 14, 2017 were approved with a typo correction.

IV. Administrative:

Meeting schedule for the Energy & Climate Team

The Team will continue to meet on the second Thursday of the month at 12 pm unless it conflicts with someone's schedule.

v. Non-Action Items:

A. Renewable Energy Fund Raiser – Pumpkin Fun Run

Ben said they have about 100 people who have registered for the event. He asked if anyone is interested in volunteering to be a course pointer at the fun run event on October 22, 2017. Marsha volunteered.

VI. Non Action Items:

A. Project ideas for the Team

Michael and Gwen produced a list of ideas and presented it to the Team.

- Provide guidance/funding/project coordination for building shower facilities in City buildings, to encourage more bike to work participants
- Provide guidance/funding/project coordination for a community bike-share program
- Coordinate with community/state partners on a community-wide solar project
- Provide guidance/funding/project coordination for HEPA (MERV 13 or higher rated) portable air-filtration units for the community
- Provide guidance/funding/project coordination for Lithium-Ion battery storage project for City or community use
- Provide guidance/funding/project coordination for the addition of Virtual Synchronous Converters to be added to solar/legacy power grids for the City or community
- Provide guidance/funding/project coordination for the addition of sub-metering devices to be added to the City or community spaces/equipment
- Provide guidance/funding/project coordination with Neighborhood Councils on ideas they have
- Coordinate with other communities to create block project proposals, to generate more/more flexible funding streams/options
- Help Chase Jones with his heavy workload
- Assist with the City Compost plant
- Work with nonprofit groups that could use the Teams assistance.

The Team agreed to meet in November to prioritize goals & projects and develop a plan.

VII. Action Items:

A. Strategy to advance a stretch energy code for buildings:

Several Team members attended the High Performance Building Collaborative meeting. The meeting was well attended and a subcommittee was formed that includes several Team members. They will continue to meet monthly and share ideas, policy changes, strategies, education and incentives. This item will appear on the agenda when there are updates on an action plan. There were questions and comments.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm

Respectfully submitted

Kelly Elam
City Clerk Office