



Energy & Climate Team

Meeting Minutes

April 19, 2018, 12 pm

140 W. Pine, Missoula, MT

Members Present: Ben Schmidt, Max Boese, Marcia Brownlee, Craig Couch, Gwen Lankford Spencer, Bart Mihailovich, Robin Saha

Members Absent: Brian Kerns, Michael Dorshorst

Others Present: Dave Westfall, Kelly Elam

I. Announcements:

None

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

None

III. Approve meeting minutes:

Minutes for February 8, 2018 were approved as submitted.

IV. Administrative:

None

V. Non-Action Items:

A. Stretch Energy Code Update

The Stretch Energy Code's is a City project and now in the hands of Don Verrue and Chase Jones. They will let the Team know if there is anything the Team can do to help move it forward.

B. Project Selection Tool

Craig and Bart gathered all the Team's project ideas and compiled them into a bubble chart spreadsheet that includes four quadrants. The Team discussed each category and ranked them for importance, complexity, technical and professional complexity and a timeline. Some of the projects will need resources and outside help, and some needs funding which can be a challenge and most of the time nonexistent. The Team will continue discussing the project ranking order at the May 10 meeting when all of the members are present. After the projects are chosen, the Team will invite speakers to attend the meetings for discussion and planning.

The list includes the following:

1. Trach amnesty
2. Business sustainability advising service
3. Energy conservation in student neighborhoods
4. Carbon Offsets
5. Shower facilities in City buildings
6. Community bike-share program
7. Community-wide solar project
8. HEPA (MERV 13 or higher rated) portable air-filtration units
9. Lithium-Ion battery storage project
10. Virtual Synchronous Converters
11. Sub-metering devices
12. Advance ideas of neighborhood councils
13. Block project proposals
14. Help Chase Jones with his heavy workload
15. Assist with the City Compost plant
16. Work with nonprofit groups that could use the Teams assistance
17. Forwarding green building policy to city
18. Artist in residency
19. Repair events like repair café

There was interest in working with neighborhood councils. Dave Westfall, Lewis & Clark Neighborhood Council said, his neighborhood is working on the duck pond renovation and a recycling project. Healthy wetlands is important to the Mayor and he would like to see progress made to rejuvenate the ponds.

Bart will contact Chase Jones to see if there is anything the Team can do to help with his workload. Robin is interested in the green building project and Marcia will contact Gwen to see about helping with Neighborhood Councils.

VI. **Action Items:**
None

VII. **Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Elam
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