



County of Los Alamos

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BCC Meeting Minutes Environmental Sustainability Board

Thursday, March 16, 2023

5:30 PM

1000 Central Avenue, Council Chambers

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1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

Chair, Shannon Blair, Called the meeting to order to 5:32pm. The following members were in attendance:

Present: Chair Blair, Member Loechell, Member Groffman, and Member McNaughton.

Absent: Vice-Chair Geppert, and Member Pesenson.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Lisa Reader commented on the possibility of a biodigester and recycling of bailing twine.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Chair Blair, seconded by Member Loechell, that the March 16, 2023 agenda be approved as amended.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[17209-23](#) Approval of the February 16, 2023, Environmental Sustainability Board Minutes

Presenters: Shannon Blair

Attachments: [A - Draft ESB Minutes February 16, 2023](#)

A motion was made by Member Loechell, seconded by Member Groffman that the Environmental Sustainability Board Approve the February 16, 2023 minutes as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

5. BOARD BUSINESS

[17210-23](#) Review and Approve the FY23 ESB Work Plan

Presenters: Shannon Blair

Attachments: [B - Draft ESB Minutes February 16, 2023](#)

The ESB reviewed the FY24 Work Plan (Fiscal Year 2024: July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024) for the Environmental Sustainability Board. A detailed summary of the ESB activities and accomplishments for the fiscal year 2023 were discussed and are included in the work plan. Future work plans, current and proposed special projects or assignments and guiding documents for the ESB were included and updated.

A motion was made by Member Groffman, seconded by Member Loechell, that the FY2024 Work Plan be approved as amended.

The motion passed unanimously.

[17211-23](#) Review and Discuss Los Alamos Resiliency, Energy and Sustainability (LARES) Recommendations

Presenters: Shannon Blair

Attachments: [C - Final Report Publish](#)
[D - BPU Evaluation of LARES Recommendations](#)

The ESB discussed the Los Alamos Resiliency, Energy and Sustainability (LARES) Task Force recommendations. Staff Liaison Angelica Gurule will send the recommendations to the ESB. The members will review the recommendations and return to discuss them at the April 20, 2023 meeting.

[17212-23](#) Revise and Appoint Liaison Assignments

Presenters: Shannon Blair

A motion was made by Chair Blair, seconded by Member Loechell that the Environmental Sustainability Board remove the following liaison assignments: Planning and Zoning.

The motion passed unanimously.

17213-23

Discuss Recent County Council Item 17056-23 "Discussion and Possible Action on Integrated Pest Management Plan and Potential Limited Uses of Glyphosate"

Presenters: Shannon Blair

The Board discussed the recent County Council item 17056-23 and will continue to monitor the progress of the Integrated Pest Management Plan, Glyphosate, and review Cheetah Pro.

6. REPORTS**A. Chair's Report - Shannon Blair**

Chair Blair reported that the ESB is currently recruiting for one open vacant position and that Vice-Chair Geppert attended the B&C Luncheon.

B. Board Member Reports**1). Board of Public Utilities - Armand Groffman/Erik Loechell**

Member Groffman reported that the BPU discussed a solar project at LANL, the chromium plume, and the Voice of the Customer Survey conducted for the Department of Public Utilities.

2). Planning and Zoning Commission - Vacant**3). Transportation Board - Hermann Geppert/Erik Loechell**

None

4). Parks and Recreation Board - Dina Pesenson/Shannon Blair

None

6). County Council Liaison - Suzie Havemann

None

D. Team Reports**1). Zero Waste Los Alamos - Angelica Gurule/Kokheong McNaughton**

Staff Liaison Angelica Gurule reported that the Zero Waste celebrated their 5 year anniversary and had a meeting. They discussed upcoming events such as Earth Day at PEEC and Clean Up Los Alamos Day as well as what areas of sustainability to focus on during these events. Member McNaughton reported that the Zero Waste Team will clean the area around the Airport fence including pulling weeds to support the Integrated Pest Management Plan. They will also create a 40 day challenge, participants who complete the challenge will receive a prize form PEEC,

2). Bee City Team

Member McNaughton reported that the grand opening of the Seed Library will be on Saturday, March 25, 2023.

7. STAFF REPORT

[17214-23](#) Environmental Services Staff Report

Presenters: Angelica Gurule

Attachments: [E - Residential Sustainability Report - February 2023_NEW](#)

Staff Liaison Agelica Gurule provided the Board an update on current Environmental Services Operatirons and upcoming Items that staff is working on. This included that ES is proceeding with the construction of a reuse center at the White Rock Convenience Center and the food waste composting program progress.

8. PREVIEW OF UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

- 1) Review LARES Recommendations
- 2) Review of Integrated Pest Management Plan

9. ADJOURNMENT

With no objections the meeting adjourned at 7:18pm

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