



County of Los Alamos

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Minutes

Environmental Sustainability Board

*Shannon Blair, Chair; Hermann Geppert, Vice-Chair; Armand Groffman; Erik Loechell;
KokHeong McNaughton, and Dina Pesenson*

Thursday, February 16, 2023

5:30 PM

Council Chambers and Zoom

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1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

ESB Chair, Shannon Blair, called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm. The following members were in attendance:

Present Chair Blair, Vice-Chair Geppert, Member Groffman, Member Loechell, Member McNaughton, and Member Pesenson

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Geppert, seconded by Member Pesenson, that the agenda be approved as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[17070-23](#)

Approval of the January 19, 2023, Environmental Sustainability Board Minutes

Presenters: Shannon Blair

Attachments: [A - Draft ESB Minutes January 19, 2023](#)

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Geppert, seconded by Member Loechell, that the Environmental Sustainability Board approve the January 19, 2023 minutes as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

5. BOARD BUSINESS

[17074-23](#) Update on Los Alamos County Integrated Pest Management Plan

Presenters: Shannon Blair

The ESB received an update on the successes and challenges of the Los Alamos County Integrated Pest Management Plan from Community Services Director Cory Styron. Mr. Styron also mentioned that County Council would have a discussion about possible exemptions for the use of glyphosate in certain areas at an upcoming meeting.

[17071-23](#) Review and Revise the FY24 ESB Work Plan

Presenters: Angelica Gurule

The ESB reviews the Draft FY24 Work Plan (Fiscal Year 2024: July1, 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. The ESB will review and approve the final work plan March 16, 2023.

[17072-23](#) Revise and Appoint Liaison Assignments

Presenters: Shannon Blair

This agenda item was tabled until the March 16, 2023 meeting.

6. REPORTS

A. Chair's Report - Shannon Blair

Chair Blair welcomed the new Council Liaison Suzie Havemann and reminded the ESB that they are currently recruiting for a new member. The Board also welcomed the new Environmental Services Manager Armando Gabaldon.

B. Board Member Reports

1). Board of Public Utilities - Armand Groffman/Erik Loechell

None

2). Planning and Zoning Commission - Vacant

3). Transportation Board - Hermann Geppert/Erik Loechell

Member Geppert reported that the Transportation Board discussed the 33rd and 34th street reconstruction project as well as their FY2024 work plan. The board also discussed the next step on researching bicycle infrastructure and creating a working group for this item.

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

The February Parks and Recreation Board meeting was cancelled.

5). **County Council Liaison - Suzie Havemann**

None

C. Team Reports

1). **Los Alamos Public Schools Team - Angelica Gurule**

None

2). **Zero Waste Los Alamos - Angelica Gurule/Kokheong McNaughton**

The February 2023 Zero Waste meeting was cancelled.

3). **Bee City Team**

Member McNaughton reported that the seed library project recently distributed wildflower seeds and informed participants on how to plant the seeds. The seed library will have its grand opening on March 25, 2023, 2-4 pm at the Mesa Public Library.

7. STAFF REPORT

[17073-23](#) Environmental Services Business & Operation Updates

Attachments: [B - LAC County Council Strategic Leadership Plan 2023](#)
[C - Residential Sustainability Report - January 2023_NEW](#)

Staff Liaison Angelica Gurule provided the Board an update on current Environmental Services operations and upcoming items that staff is working on.

8. PREVIEW OF UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

- 1) Approval of ESB FY24 Work Plan
- 2) Evaluate LARES recommendations
- 3) Discuss bear resistant dumpsters and roll carts
- 4) Presentation from Utilities about the carbon free power plan
- 5) Appoint Liaison Assignments
- 6) Volunteer Management Software

9. ADJOURNMENT

With no objections the meeting adjourned at 6:53 pm.

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