

Sustainable Futures Commission

DRAFT -- Meeting Minutes

Thursday, Jan. 9, 2020

6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Lyons Town Hall

Member Attendees: Julie Boyle, David Hatchimonji, Dan Matsch, Dawn Weller, Jeff Christy

Other attendees: Kim Mitchell, Mark Browning, Rolf Herthenstein

- Amended and approved agenda update for meeting: motion to approve by Dawn Weller, second by Julie Boyle
- Amended and approved SFC minutes from 12/17/19; motion to approve by David Hatchimonji, second by Jeff Christy

PAYT

- Long discussion on the “Colorado Fair Campaign Practices” and how this impacts the ways that SFC members can respond to, discuss, etc. the PAYT ballot initiative. Per Brandon Dittman, the TOL attorney:
 - The SFC cannot engage in advertising a position, information, etc. as a commission
 - Individual facebook responses, articles, etc. on the topic are OK, if it represents the individual’s opinion only (not the commission). No more than two SFC members should contribute to a specific topic thread on facebook.
 - The SFC itself cannot create and post a “factual summary” of the ballot question
- Kim will check if Garrett McDaniel, TOL Sustainability Coordinator, can put together a summary of the ballot question that can be referenced, sent in an e-Blast, used for some community information meetings, etc. A summary created by Lakewood for a similar question was suggested to see if it could be adapted for the Lyons proposal.
- Other PAYT items discussed:
 - Some community members concerned about cost of program and the limited users who are eligible for the “bag option”
 - Could the Lyons “Greenstar” student reps help communicate information about PAYT?

Leed Program for communities grant opportunity

- The commission agreed that the Town is not prepared to implement a residential Leed program at this time.
- SFC/TOL can contact CC4CA if building code assistance needed in 2020

Mark Browning, BOT update

- BOT considering request that TOL provide sewer service to Apple Valley Road.
 - Concerns about septic systems so close to the N St. Vrain
 - No funding available
 - TOL will review with Boulder County during next IGA cycle

- BOT asked Summit to present an update on the housing project at their 1/21/20 meeting
- Cameras at recycle center are being adjusted so that illegal dumping can be identified and pursued; Town attorney preparing signage that warns about fines and enforcement
- UEB (Utilities & Engineering Board) will soon present their electric meter reader recommendation
- BOT workshop on 1/21/20 to review proposed ordinance requiring specified businesses to install sampling equipment to identify where the pollutants are coming from, especially BODs, copper and total suspended solids

Other

- Dan Matsch reported that Boulder County Sustainability Office is accepting grant proposals for sustainable agriculture, due 1/27/20
- David Hatchimonji reports that the Boulder County Sustainability Office is being reorganized into its own department, headed by Suzie Strife
- SFC liaisons needed for Parks and Rec (2nd Monday of the month) and UEB (2nd & 4th Wed, 4:30-6)

Agenda items for next meeting, Thursday, Feb. 13:

- Request Garrett to present next areas of focus from LESAP (Lyons Environmental Sustainability Action Plan)