

**Sustainable Futures Commission**  
Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, May 12, 2022  
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM  
Lyons Regional Library & Remote via Zoom

**SFC members:** Dave Hatchimonji, Dan Matsch, Dawn Weller, Kara Bauman, Edward Kean, Jeff Christy

**BOT Liaison:** Ted Elson

**Town:** Kim Mitchell

**April minutes** were unanimously approved

Fossil Fuel Remorse - Edward Kean suggested that SFC's mission is to help us all take necessary actions, investments, etc. to avoid fossil fuel remorse

**Dan Matsch met with Mayor Holly Rogin.** Topics discussed include:

- SFC coordinator position; unlikely in 2022 due to budget constraints
- BOT has instituted quarterly joint meetings with all commission chairs
- All citizens and commissions are encouraged to continue participating in the creation of new comprehensive plan; next Thrive (comp plan) open house is June 7
- SFC key value add is educating citizens and contractors on options to conserve energy and reduce GHG; reassure folks they're not taking a "bold step alone"
  - Rebate opportunities for electrification
  - Encourage sharing of experiences such as solar installation, electric/hybrid car ownership, heat pump for home heating and cooling

**SFC will create a budget proposal for a part time sustainability coordinator** (*David H* will prepare draft position description)

- Proposal will provide justification for position
- Cite the Town adopted LESAP referencing coordinator responsibilities
- Sustainability coordinator required to work with consultants (SFC's outstanding RFP to create energy action plan for Lyons to meet State of Colorado sustainability goals)
- Sustainability coordinator required to work with Xcel project team in future Partners in Energy study
- Present proposal to the BOT July 5
- Request consideration for remainder of 2022 and as a component in 2023 budget

**Lyons Volunteers** key contact Rick DeSalvo moved. *Edward K* will reach out to them to find out

- Verify if styrofoam and scrap metal pickups & recycling will continue
- Find out and publish pick schedule
- Ask how SFC can support this recycling effort

Edward Kean gave an overview of Boulder County program PACE (Partners for a Clean

Environment). Discussion points:

- Mainstage Brewing to meet with PACE rep soon to find out options to operate business most sustainably and what support PACE can provide
- Should SFC provide a summary of PACE support options and share at a future Chamber meeting?
- Next Lyons Chamber meeting will be held at Mainstage Brewing

Jeff Christy reported that **CEMEX** has requested a Boulder County permit to mine Dowe Flats (north side of Hwy 66) for 15 more years; if permit approved CEMEX would close the cement plant (south side of Hwy 66) at the end of the mining permit period 12/31/2037. In addition, Significant acreage (1800 acres) could then be purchased by Boulder County for open space. The County will conduct public meetings to get citizen input. Details in this press release: <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/COBOULDER/bulletins/315fd26>

Dan Matsch provided update from **RCAB**

- Their key focus is construction and demolition waste recycling
- Looking at existing code/regulations in use by RCAB communities for disposal of these materials to identify commonalities, effective practices, etc.
- Develop new proposed regulations built on existing and new code

Kim Mitchell, Town of Lyons

- confirmed **Lyons River, Trail, and Park Cleanup** Saturday, May 21, 8:30-10 AM
- Will send consulting RFP to SFC for final review before publishing

**Next SFC meeting Thursday, June 9, 2023. Agenda items:**

- Review sustainability coordinator position description – drafted by **David H**
- Prepare content for position presentation/budget request to BOT (scheduled July 5) – **All**
- Report status of Lyons Volunteers styrofoam and scrap metal recycling – **Edward**
- Review Mainstage experience with PACE and possible value to other Lyons' businesses - **Edward & all**
- Provide status on RFP - **Kim M**
- Provide summary of river, trail, park cleanup - **Dawn & Kim**