Members Present: Hannah Cail, Diana Hammer, Brian Fadie, Greg Ross, Sarah Norcott, Lisa Fairman, Richard Sloan, Patrick Judge, Morgan Shimkus, Ann Brodsky

Others Present: City Staff: Troy Sampson, Bridget Johnston

Call to Order: Board Chair, Hannah Cail called the meeting to order at 4:31 pm.

Meeting Minutes: Patrick Judge moved to accept the minutes as amended, Richard Sloan seconded. The minutes were approved as amended.

Sub-Committee Reports

a. Energy Committee: Patrick Judge gave a PowerPoint “first look” presentation on greenhouse gas inventory for the City of Helena government facilities.

b. The Water Committee did not meet.

c. The TWRPPP Committee did not meet.

Energy Corps & NCAT: Melissa Englund and Mia Panado gave a brief explanation of the projects they are working on with the Butte Energy Corps and stated they would speak up if questions came up.

Helena Growth Policy Update: Diana, Richard and Hannah attended the Helena Growth Policy meeting. Hannah reported there were a few other organizations in attendance and that September 2019 is their goal for a draft policy to the City Commission.

Sustainability and Conservation Coordinator Position Update: Hannah stated the letter to the Commission was submitted. Ann, Diana and Hannah attended the meeting where the letter was discussed. Troy reported that the City has put together a draft position description for a coordinator and has a place holder in the FY20 budget. A decision has not been made as to whether a coordinator will be hired.

Public Comment: none

New Business:

a. Brian stated he has done some additional investigation regarding the LED street light change over and found that Sleeping Giant Citizen’s Council has been working on some like things. He proposes having them come and do a presentation.

b. Ann suggested possibly hosting a conference or exchange with similar groups or organizations.

c. Ann mentioned the Oregon energy turbines that Denise had sent out to the board and asked if anyone had any further information on it. There was some discussion on the topic.

ACTION ITEM: Staff to invite City of Helena Water Superintendent to come to the next meeting.

d. Morgan asked if she could spend 5 minutes at the next meeting to talk about her environmental research project and get feedback from the board.

e. There was some discussion about when sub-committees should meet.

Adjourn: Sarah Norcott moved to adjourn, Brian Fadie seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 5:49pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bridget Johnston
City Staff, Community Facilities