Members Present: Denise Roth Barber, Diana Hammer, Ken Knudson, Brian Fadie, Greg Ross, Sarah Norcott, Richard Sloan, Patrick Judge, Morgan Shimkus, Ann Brodsky

Others Present: City Staff: Troy Sampson, Bridget Johnston

Call to Order: Board Co-Vice-Chair, Brian Fadie called the meeting to order at 4:37pm.

Meeting Minutes: Morgan Shimkus moved to accept the minutes as written, Denise Roth Barber seconded. The minutes were approved as written.

Consider change to bylaws to allow for proxy voting: Sarah Norcott spoke to the suggested language and location in the bylaws for proxy voting. There was discussion about the pros and cons of allowing proxy voting. Denise Roth Barber moved to accept the addition to the bylaws as proposed, Morgan Shimkus seconded. Hearing no public comment, Brian asked for a vote of the board. The motion was passed.

ACTION ITEM: Bridget to update bylaws.

Conservation and Sustainability Coordinator Recommendation: Brian explained that Hannah drafted a new letter based on the last meeting’s suggestions. There was extensive discussion regarding edits and additions to the letter. Ann Brodsky moved to approve the letter with all edits, Ken Knudson seconded. The motion carried.

ACTION ITEM: Bridget to make the approved edits to the letter and send to Hannah for signature. If Hannah is not available to sign the letter right away, Bridget is to forward to Brian or Richard for signature. City staff will send the letter to the City Manager to add to a Commission meeting agenda.

ACTION ITEM: At least one board member will need to attend the Commission meeting in which the letter will be addressed. City staff will notify the board of the date of the meeting once the letter is on the agenda.

100% Renewable Energy: Brian Fadie gave a power point presentation. He said the purpose was to get everyone thinking about different plan options and ideas for what could work in Helena. He asked the board to consider these ideas before the next meeting for further discussion.

Sub-Committee Reports:

Ann Brodsky gave an update to the board on work she has been doing on building codes. She has spoken to Adam Schafer, Senior Advisor to Governor Steve Bullock about Montana updating its codes to be in line with the national code. Brian and Patrick gave some additional information including how this does not tie to legislature and that the board that would approve this currently does not have enough members to do so.

Public Comment: none

New Business: tabled

Adjourn: Patrick Judge moved to adjourn, Sarah Norcott seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 6:07pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bridget Johnston
City Staff, Community Facilities