



City of Helena

Citizen Conservation Board

Regular Board Meeting; July 11, 2019; 4:30 PM
City-County Building Room 326

Board Members Present: Brian Fadie, Lisa Fairman, Diana Hammer, Sarah Norcott, Greg Ross, Denise Roth Barber, Morgan Shimkus, Richard Sloan, Valerie Stacey

Others Present: City Staff; Troy Sampson Guests; Erin Grossman, John Hoffland

Call to Order: Richard Sloan called the meeting to order at 4:30pm

Meeting Minutes: Denise Roth Barber moved to approve the minutes amended, Morgan Shimkus seconded, motion passed.

Citizens' Climate Lobby presentation by John Hoffland: Mr. Hoffland gave a [presentation](#) explaining the work of the Helena Citizens' Climate Lobby. He focused on the effects of CO₂ concentrations and the legislation for carbon fee and dividend policy as their proposed climate solution. The presentation was followed by a lengthy discussion. Mr. Hoffland asked the board for its endorsement of the bill. The consensus was the board, if it chooses, would recommend to the City Commission to endorse the bill. Board members have additional questions and will discuss at next board meeting.

Zero Waste Discussion: Denise Roth Barber reported that the City Growth Policy is being updated. She referred to Missoula's growth policy language and moved that the board encourage the Community Development department to insert similar language into the City's updated Growth Policy, Richard Sloan seconded; Diana Hammer amended motion to empower Denise to send an email to the City Manager recommending the City of Helena updated growth policy incorporate similar language to the "Mitigate and Adapt to Climate Change with Sustainable Practices and Development"; Richard Sloan seconded the amended motion; Denise amended the motion to state the board encourage, at the City's popup meetings next week, the City to incorporate the specific language under "Mitigate and Adapt to Climate Change with Sustainable Practices and Development" ([pg. 5 of Missoula City Growth Policy Fact Sheet and Highlights](#)), minus the last bullet point, into the City of Helena's updated growth policy; Lisa Fairman seconded; motion passed.

Sub-Committee Updates:

Energy Committee: Sarah Norcott reported that Patrick has requested Helena energy use data from Northwestern Energy and she is working on it.

ACTION ITEM: Sarah Norcott will get the data to Patrick Judge.

Water Committee: The committee met, shared some goals and plan to meet again.

New Business:

Brian passed out the [draft SunRun letter](#). Add to next agenda to discuss and take action.

Diana Hammer requested to add Streetlight LED Conversion discussion to next agenda.

Lisa Fairman requested to add NRCS long term plan discussion to next agenda.

Public Comment: none

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 6:10pm.