Citizen Conservation Advisory Board

AGENDA
July 12, 2018
City-County Building, Room 426, 4:30 PM

1. Members in Attendance:
   - Denise Roth Barber
   - Ken Knudsen
   - Brian Fadie, Vice-Chair
   - Greg Ross
   - Sarah Norcott
   - Lisa Fairman
   - Richard Sloan, Vice-Chair
   - Patrick Judge
   - Morgan Shimkus
   - Ann Brodsky
   - Hannah Cail, Chair

2. Approve April and June 2018 Meeting Notes:
   - Ann moved to approve April and June meeting notes
   - Motion passed

3. Northwestern Energy LED conversion discussion
   - Sarah presented information on the NWE plan to convert street lights to LED
   - Plan to convert all of street lights in street lighting districts to LED
     - NWE owns street lights and customer/client is City of Helena
       - 3537 lights, not sure how many districts, majority owned by NWE, City still owns some of the lights
   - Start next year in Helena and 3 year project to get it done by 2021 across entire state; 43000 lights Phases one (80,000 lights total to convert – with City and non-city owned lights)
   - Majority of lights in Helena will be converted.
   - Darks skys compliant
   - Lumens are similar
   - Still selecting which light to go with for conversion
   - Parking lot of business would be outside lighting district
   - SUGGESTED RECOMMENDATIONS: City of Helena bootstrap on to NWE and convert its lights too; use money saved on lighting and funnel that money into the energy loan program
   - SUGGESTED RECOMMENDATIONS: ask city for info on City’s own street lighting district and conversion to LED
   - $21 million up front infrastructure cost for NWE
   - will also inspect existing infrastructure

4. Introductions & interests discussion - Board Members
• Sarah’s fresh idea: dirt roads; paving roads to eliminate dust and air-quality, cost savings
• Ways to get sub-committees organized:
  ▪ Committee by Issue
    • Use 2009 Report
    • Charge – what should be implemented; what is legislature up to
    • Conservation; Best Practices; recognize there will be cross-over
  ▪ 1. Energy
  ▪ 2. Water
  ▪ 3. Transportation, Waste, Recycling
  ▪ 4. Education and Public Outreach
• Homework – to fill out survey on skills, interests, background, concerns, passion
  ▪ Denise will draft survey
  ▪ Social event to learn about each other
• Want to see what other city’s are doing on conservation; best practices
  ▪ This is what ICLEI does
  ▪ Someone research
5. Dennis Taylor introduction – Interim City Manager
  • Aware of EICLI request
6. Discussion on seeking input from Public on issues the Board should address and explore
7. Public comment
  • None presented
8. Adjourn

Next Meeting Suggestions:
- Subcommittees
- Bylaws approval
- May notes approval
- “Urgent” Recommendations to City