

**Juneau Commission on Sustainability
Wednesday, April 18, 2012
Draft Minutes
Downtown Library Conference Room**

Present: Steve Behnke, Eva Bornsetin, Jenni Lefing, Duff Mitchell, Nancy Waterman, Darrell Wetherall. Jenni Lefing kept the minutes.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Nancy Waterman called the meeting to order at 6:18 pm.

II. AGENDA CHANGES: None

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of March 7, 2012 were approved.

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

V. ACTION ITEMS

A. Meeting schedule –June and July

- The June meeting would be June 6 and the July meeting would be July 4. There is a proposal to cancel both meetings, but to keep work sessions.
- A motion to cancel the July meeting was approved.
- The June meeting will be decided at the May meeting, as it was noted there is a lot of decision-making that happens in Juneau at that time.

B. Upcoming vacancies:

1. Eva Bornstein's term expires July 30, 2012, and her position will be open. Also, Alida Bus's term ended in 2013, but has resigned from JCOS, effective immediately.
2. The commission can have 9 members of the public, 1 planning commission liaison, 1 city liaison, and 1 non-voting member as the Staff Liaison.
3. Ben Haight is the current planning commission member and Mary Becker is the current City liaison.

C. Annual Report

1. Eva shared a draft version of the annual report that Steve and Eva worked on and is due to the Assembly in June.
2. This report will need to be adopted by JCOS in May. Beth will send out the annual report electronically, so that members can make comments and send back. Eva will incorporate any edits and a final draft will be provided in May.
3. The draft report includes what sustainability indicators that JCOS recommends be adopted by the city. The current draft recommends the

energy indicators be moved forward. (It was explained that JCOS had agreed that the robust government center indicators also be recommended, but more work needs to be done on this piece, before moving it to the assembly).

4. It was commented that it is hoped that in the annual report, the commission continues to list names of people who have served on the commission since its inception.

5. Eva will add in the rest of the current positions for JCOS (Jenni Lefing; Secretary, Kate Troll, Vice Chair; Beth McKibben, Staff Liaison)

D. Committees

1. At the JCOS January retreat, three committees (Initiatives, Outreach/Education, and JCAP Implementation) were identified, and at the next full JCOS meeting, members selected a committee to be on.

- However, since that meeting, two members will be resigning (from the Outreach Committee), and Initiatives Committee has two members, so it was suggested that it makes sense for committees to work together.
- It was noted that ideally, each committee would have 3 members, as 9 Members of the public make up JCOS.
- The main focus of JCOS this year is the JCAP implementation and outreach/education is a significant component of that.

2. A conversation took place on what should be the status of each of the committees.

- It was decided that there shouldn't be an outreach committee at this time, being that come June, there will only be one member (and committees should have at least three members). However, it was noted that JCOS does need a point of contact for events, such as Earth Day. It was decided that in lieu of an Outreach Committee, Jenni Lefing would be the Outreach and Education Liaison.
- Decisions on the Initiatives Committee should wait until Kate is present. This will be put on the May agenda.
- The JCAP Implementation committee will stay as is.

3. A reminder to all committee members, don't "reply all" to JCOS messages, reply only to the sender that sent e-mail. And, members should always send items to Beth to distribute to the whole group.

E. John Kamler- presentation on Juneau's Sludge, Renewable Energy, & the Triple Bottom Line.

This occurred during a work session (5:30-6:15), before the start of the meeting, when there wasn't a quorum.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. City Liaison Report: None
- B. Items up for Assembly Action: None
- C. Committee Reports

- 1. Juneau Climate Action Plan Implementation Committee

- At the April 4 work session, the committee talked about how to use our voices on commission to move city forward in reducing emissions, etc, and they tried to identify pieces that JCOS can try to nudge along (such as CIP projects).
 - Rod Steedle will meet with the commission at some point.
 - Nancy followed up with Rich Ritter, architect, and found out that investment audits are available to the public for buildings, including Centennial Hall (will be getting soon) and Capital Transit Maintenance building (finished and got). In 2013- Centennial Hall is scheduled for a new roof but audit is more than that. City should be paying attention to the whole picture, including an energy audit.

- 2. Education & Outreach Liaison

- JCOS will have a presence at Earth Day at Mendenhall Glacier on April 21. Nancy Waterman will be manning a table, using the current display board. She will cover up the side that lists the commissioner names (they need to be updated).
 - Display board needs to be updated.
 - Jenni asked for members to think about what they want posted on the blog and the JCOS website. It was asked for this to be a future agenda item. And, if there is anything they want posted, to let Jenni know.