

Juneau Commission on Sustainability

Wednesday, January 2, 2013, 5:30pm
Downtown Library Conference Room

DRAFT Minutes

Present: Steve Behnke, Kate Bevegni, Bob Deering, Ben Haight, Jenni Lefing, Duff Mitchell, Lisa Weissler, Darrell Wetherall. Jenni Lefing kept the minutes.

Others Present: Staff Liaison Beth McKibben

Public: Russell Stigall, Joe Lassiter

I. CALL TO ORDER

Ben Haight called the meeting to order at 5:38 pm.

II. AGENDA CHANGES

Add under items for assembly action- renewal of waste contract.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes of December 5, 2012 were approved with these changes:
Jerry Nankervis is assembly liaison not city liaison.
Work session was Dec 19 not Dec 12

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

V. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Commission Officers –discussion
Vote for commission officers is usually in February.
- B. Agenda for Annual Retreat
- This year's annual retreat will be Saturday January 26, 2013.
 - Typically, this is a time to talk about what we want to do in the next year and group decides the top priorities. It was noted that it is helpful that priorities members bring to the meeting are tied to the JCAP.
 - Bob Deering has sent Beth a proposal to discuss at the retreat that includes- few years ago CBJ did a study on Climate Action and Juneau- and think worth updating.
 - Darryl noted that he was interested in discussing developing an energy plan, as noted in JCAP.
 - It was mentioned that the development of JCAP was a high priority for the last two years, and now that it's complete the web page has become an action that JCOS is doing to carry it forward.
 - Minutes were taken at last year's annual meeting and will be shared.
 - Another suggestion for the retreat was to review the mission of JCOS, and to discuss the annual report.
 - JCOS members were asked to send ideas/thoughts to Beth by 01/22 for the retreat.

C. Outreach

i. Web page development

- Lisa incorporated changes from the last work session, and JCOS meeting:
 - Topic areas of hydropower, heat pumps and oil under energy. Bob is working on the pellets and biomass areas under energy, and Bob and Duff will work on a wind power section
 - Take Action tab: top actions that people can take to promote sustainability.
 - The energy calculator is live and should work as a download that people can use.
- Edits that were suggested included under top actions- don't number them, just use bullets, more linkage to Facebook, if want business listed, put down to notify our facebook page, and add a contact page to include an email address for JCOS.
- Future items to put on JCOS website: LEED Juneau, Sustainability Standards,
- Next Steps:
 - Send any additional website feedback to Lisa by Sunday January 6.
 - Lisa, Jenni and Kate will meet with Pat to talk about next steps in the website moving forward. During this meeting, find out the level of support we can get from the city, frequency of updates to the website, and who will be that point person.
 - Outreach on website before it goes live. This can include an introduction of the website at a CBJ Assembly meeting, Press release when website goes live, March Home Show- have information at the Community Development table, radio,
 - From now on, website will be a standing agenda item to review website items.
- Facebook can be a place for things to be updated on a more regular basis than the website.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. City Liaison Report

Al Hart was introduced as the Community Development Director –

There is a deadline tomorrow – one more vacancy on JCOS.

Last meeting asked about Willoughby District – no updates

B. Items up for Assembly Action: None

C. Solid Waste Management

- Kate Bevegni shared an announcement from the December 19 Juneau Empire, that RFP proposals for CBJ's solid waste programs are due Feb 13, and a pre-proposal meeting will be held Jan. 8 2013.
- A conversation took place on JCOS's role in this, especially in regards to recycling, and questions arose as to why we weren't informed of this. It was suggested that this could be a discussion item at the retreat.

D. Committee Reports

- i. Climate Action Plan: None
 - a. CIP process
- ii. Education & Outreach: None
- iii. Initiatives: None

VII. ADJOURNMENT 7:03 pm