



TOWN OF ERIE

645 Holbrook Street
Erie, CO 80516

Meeting Minutes Sustainability Advisory Board

Wednesday /May 5, 2023,

6:30 PM

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:34

ROLL CALL

Ben Hemphill, Kaycee Headrick, Alissa Kuzmich, Robert Elliss, Rose Murphy

Absent: Art Henderlong

Also present: Trustee Dan Hoback, Trustee Emily Baer, Tom Reid the Town Forester, LeaAnn Vialehr, and Brian O'Connor from the Tree Board, Eryka Thorley staff sustainability liaison

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda approved.

3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes approved.

4. GENERAL BUSINESS

Trustee Hoback stated that there were 6 Trustees at the Earth/Arbor Day.

Eryka stated that the clean up day to be held the same day as the Town Fair, May 13th, will hand out 100 beer vouchers for the beer garden at Town Fair to encourage joint participation in these events.

Arbor/Earth Day recap

It seemed busier, had more food trucks and exhibitors. The location was excellent. The sign in the turn lane helped people find it. Ben suggested that future Earth/Arbor event could be at Coal Creek Park. From there people could explore downtown.

Brian noted that the Tree Board is required to put on the event to keep the "Tree City" designation. He asked if SAB wanted to continue to co-host. Ben noted that it's good not to fatigue the residents with too many events. In the future should the OSTAB board be included? If so, what other exhibitors would they bring? Eryka noted that the fruit food truck did not do well due to placement and that she did not see many ride/drive of the e-vehicles. Eryka and Robert discussed the pros and cons of having owners, not salespeople of the e-vehicles at the event.

The mobile PA system was discussed as well as the script for the SAB announcements. It would be better to have multiple speakers at various locations in the event. Eryka asked if live music could be included.

Length of event was discussed. 2 hours is too short. 3-4 hours is better. Tom and Eryka noted that additional help from the town would be needed if the event were to run longer and continue to grow. Staff was already spread thin this year. Eryka noted that next year she will have had experience with the event and that would be helpful. It's important to have 1 point person. It would be good to have the Town Forester at a table educating people as well as planting trees. Hiring an event company was discussed or working with the Town event staff.

Ben noted that we need a better contingency plan in the event of bad weather. He also noted that we needed more seeds to hand out next year. Brian recommended that we have more small trees to hand out. Some want a coffee vendor.

The raffle prizes went well, especially the rain barrel.

Town staff needs to make sure that the water fountains are turned on in time for the event.

Alissa will reach out to all the SAB vendors and food trucks for their feedback.

The Clean Up Event is May 13th from 8:00 – 2:00

It is the same day as the Town Fair. It is from 10:00 to 4:00 with beer garden continuing after. Alissa, Ben, and Robert can be at the clean-up event. There are several eco organizations and businesses that will be there including A Better World from Louisville. They recycle mattresses., Ecocycle of Boulder will take refrigerators and bike tires and metal, Resource Central will collect and re-use building materials, tools, and flowerpots. Boulder County Hazardous Waste will take paint and light bulbs. A tent, table and chairs for the SAB volunteers will be provided by the town. Robert will help on Friday to pick up stuff from town sites and get to the town yard where the event will be held. Eryka will print a half sheet with resource information.

Officer Elections

Ben was nominated by Kaycee to be chair. Motion passed.

Alissa was nominated by Rose to be vice chair. Motion passed.

Rose will continue as secretary with Kaycee as back up for minutes. Motion passed.

Vacancy

There is a vacancy on the board. Town clerk will put notice out. Please get the word out and encourage anyone who might be interested to apply.

Other Items

5. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:12

Next regular meeting –, June 7, 2023, at 6:30