

## **City Conservation Board Meeting Agenda**

The regular meeting of the City Conservation Board Meeting Committee has been scheduled for February 08, 2023 at 5:30 PM in West Room, of the City/County Complex, and Zoom <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/670775985">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/670775985</a> This meeting will be facilitated by Michael DeChellis.

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Approval of Minutes
  - A. APPROVE MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 2022 MEETING.
- 3. New Business
  - A. A. Presentation by Katherine Fazekas (Americorp VISTA for Livingston) on a draft outline for a Resilience Plan for Park County.
  - B. B. Recycling Information Video
  - C. C. Growth Policy Implementation Planning
- 4. Old Business
- 5. Public Comments
- 6. Board Comments
- 7. Adjournment

## File Attachments for Item:

A. APPROVE MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 2022 MEETING.

# City of Livingston Conservation Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 14, 2022, 5:30 pm

- 1. Call to Order (5:47 pm)
- 2. Roll Call (5:47 pm)
  - Conservation board members of attendance: Michael DeChellis, Lindsay Ganong,
    Pamela Schaefer
  - b. Public attendance: Alecia Larson, Mikindra Morin, Grant Gager
  - c. Full quorum present
- 3. Public Comment Period
  - a. None
- 4. Approval of Minutes from the October 12th, 2022 meeting.
  - a. All in favor approved
- 5. Consideration of Applications for Conservation Board (5:50 pm)
  - a. Alecia Larson
    - comment
  - b. Nick Mott
    - application informally withdrawn, via email to Chair
  - c. Spencer Bruce
  - d. Mikindra Morin
    - comment
- 6. Vote on Recommendation to City Manager / Commission on new Board Member
  - a. Dechellis motions to recommend Mikindra Morin. Ganong seconds. All in favor.
    - Discussion: legal background beneficial for projects coming up, experience lobbying with CPACE
    - Public comment: None
- 7. Agendas and Procedures Discussion (if city staff is present) (6:22 pm)
  - Grant Gager introduction, recommends that the board use agenda creation software, standardized Zoom meetings, write minutes on the back end following policies and procedures, work with a dedicated staff liaison, rather than creating work
    - Benefits: efficiency, increase state code compliance (open meeting laws), consistency across boards
    - City Commission's #1 priority, therefore the manager's main priority is the Growth Policy. The Conservation Board will be working towards strategies, goals, objectives and expected outcomes from Growth Policy or Strategic Plan projects.
  - b. DeChellis comment: Where does the Dark Sky Ordinance letter from the Conservation Board from Jan 202 stand?. Gager has experience implementing dark sky policy in Ketchum, ID. The ordinance is being reviewed for enforceability. Next steps may include a board conversation with the Manager and a public meeting. Aim for passing within the 22/23 fiscal year.

- c. DeChellis comment: Does the Manager endorse the process of Commission policy priority, City Staff, or Conservation Board member has an idea, meet to discuss the policy goals in a public meeting, and staff would formulate policy text, the next meeting the Board would concur, and then the Commission would consider it.
- d. Ganong comment: How will we operationalize this strategy? Gager suggested that a standard meeting skeleton will include old business and new business which the staff liaison will draft into an agenda. The day after the meeting, the staff liaison and Chair will meet to plan the next agenda which will include a packet for members to review and meeting details.
- e. Schaefer comment: It's encouraging to hear about the new structure and priorities.

### 8. Energy Action Plan

- a. Review Available Information and Previous Discussions
  - Montana Climate Solutions Plan Aug 2020
  - MCA Climate Change and Human Health in Montana 2021 Report
  - Livingston Montana Growth Policy 2021
  - Livingston's Organizational Strategic Plan 2019-2024
  - March 8, 2021 Conservation Board Listening Session on EAP
    - Presentation | Minutes | Recording
  - May 5, 2021 Conservation Board EAP Strategy Discussion Minutes
  - March 9, 2022 Conservation Board EAP/CAP Discussion Minutes
- b. Next Steps (6:57 pm)
  - DeChellis summary of past discussions and request for the Manager's suggestion of an appropriate scope for Livingston's EAP.
  - Gager has experience adopting EAP in Ketchum. Started with strategic goal setting with the community. January Commission Meeting may be a good time to hold public hearings. Time-bound strategic goals (big) around EVs, and net-neutral energy could be possible which are then followed by actionable steps to reach the goal over several meetings. the Board, city staff, or consultant may gather benchmarks/research, goal setting, and write the EAP. Public review. Adoption by Commission.
  - DeChellis- Is it possible to move the dark sky and other efforts from the City to the County. There is not a Park County Manager, but Gager is making efforts to work with the County.
  - Next Steps: January working meeting, literature review. Then hold a public hearing about high level goals for the EAP in February.

### 9. Public Comment Period

- a. Mikindra the Commission consider the new member recommendation Jan 3 agenda
- b. DeChellis, Ganong & Schaefer Thank you to Grant

### 10. Adjourn (7:28 pm)

- a. Ganong motion to adjourn. Second by Schaefer.
- b. All in favor.