



Sustainability Office

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Boulder County Resource Conservation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes – February 22, 2017

Present:

Russ Callas – At-Large
Jack DeBell – CU Recycling (phone)
Holly Hughes – Town of Ward
Bryce Isaacson – Western Disposal
Bridget Johnson – Town of Jamestown
Suzanne Jones – Eco-Cycle
Charles Kamenides – City of Longmont
Dan Matsch – Town of Lyons
Lisa Morzel – City of Boulder (phone)
Roger Pacheco – Republic Services
Chris Pelletier – Town of Nederland
Mark Persichetti – City of Louisville
Tim Plass – At-Large
Ken Wilson – At Large

Neal Lurie – Center for ReSource
Conservation
Stephanie Walton – City of Lafayette

RCAB Staff Liaison:

Leigh Cushing – Commissioners'
Office/Sustainability
Tyler Kesler – Commissioners'
Office/Sustainability

Guests:

Andrea Doukakis – City of Boulder Resident
Chris Gallagher – LID Landscape
Jamie Harkins – City of Boulder
LaraLee Hulliryorst – Western Disposal
Lisa Knoblauch – City of Longmont
Lisa Skumatz – Superior Resident

Active Members Not Present:

Darla Arians – Boulder County
Michael Donovan – At-Large
Shirley Garcia – City & County of Broomfield
Shari Malloy – At-Large

1. Call to Order

Chair Charles Kamenides called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm

2. Approval of December 14, 2016 Minutes

Mark Persichetti proposed first motion & Holly Hughes seconded

3. Approval of January 25, 2017 Minutes

Zan Jones proposed first motion & Dan Matsch seconded

4. Community Updates

- **Boulder County Carbon Sequestration** – Boulder County has released as RFI to get qualified professions to participate in the project.
- **City of Boulder** – New Green Building Codes were accepted and new C&D codes were accepted and passed.
- **Jamestown** – Waiting on FEMA and DOLA money to come in to finish roads throughout the town.
- **Lyons** – Spring Cleanup Day will be held Sunday, May 21st with the usual trash and recycling options for residents.
- **Momentum Glass Recycling Facility** – Their Grand Opening was today and the tour RCAB Members took this past week was great. 180 tons of usable glass per shift is

usually recycled with the capability to process glass dust to reuse and sell to manufacturers. This facility houses 12 optical sorters which is, in large part, what makes this facility incredibly unique.

- **Nederland** – Nederland had a successful 2016 and used the Boulder County Zero Waste grant to focus on composting. The 2017 Zero Waste grant will be used for C&D diversion (primarily construction due to minimal demolition). Plans for better management of the drop off facilities are currently being worked on.
- **Longmont** – Continuing to deploy the curbside composting initiative. Outreach has been disseminated to customers for different bin size options including rate changes. Over 500 lids have been retrofitted for every-other week collections. Approximately 40-60 containers per day are being switched from larger to smaller bins to reduce their waste (incentivized by lower rates). The program will officially launch April 3rd. Sanitation Trucks: Longmont’s Wastewater Treatment Plant would likely fuel sanitation trucks with the concept of capturing methane, scrubbing the fuel and fueling sanitation trucks.

5. Special Topic: C&D Subcommittee

RCAB members participated in a tour of the City of Fort Collins Aggregate Recycling Facilities. . All of the land and equipment was rented and leased to begin with but now that they are making money it has become a profitable endeavor and now they own the land and equipment. It is amazing to see how much recycling can be done with simply internal city operations. They accept sidewalks and road-base from Fort Collins own city operations, however, no steel reinforcement is accepted currently. Porcelain is accepted as well. Fill dirt is being cleaned and sold to the public as well and this is a huge revenue source for them. 80% internal use throughout the City and 20% sold to the public. These tonnes are used as diversion rates for year-end reporting. Boulder County would like to open up a similar facility to the public that accepts metal due to building codes. BARRA accepts this mixed material with metals so that would be a good place to tour. The next steps for RCAB are locating land, operational budget, equipment, etc. The biggest challenges will be finding land to build a facility like this on.

6. Special Topic: RCAB Retreat Commissioner Feedback

Leigh Ratterman met with Deb Gardner to review the RCAB’s 2017 Goals and Deb gave very positive feedback. Deb was supportive and excited that RCAB did the retreat and came up with clear goals for 2017. The next steps are to take a look at the Zero Waste Action Plan (ZWAP) and any recommendations with the Boulder County Sustainability Tax in mind.

7. RCAB 2017 Goals and Projects

2017 goals and projects were listed and subcommittees were assigned:

- Food and Waste Hierarchy (Boulder Food Rescue) Goal: Bring recommendations back to RCAB – Holly (Chair), Stephanie, Ken, Andrea
- ZWAP – Eco-Cycle, Mark, Holly
- Policies – Eco-Cycle, Roger, Bryce, Russ
- Compost Facility – Dan, Michael, Shari
- E-Waste – Jamie, Charlie, Michael, Roger, Dan, Holly

- Topics/Social Events – Dan, Charlie, Bridget, Jack, Andrea

8. Boulder County Zero Waste Action Plan (ZWAP) Review

RCAB Members are working on feedback. Any additions to the “Progress Made” and “Needs Attention” columns can be submitted to Leigh and added as they come up.

9. Boulder County Comp Plan – SMME

March meeting will be held in Commissioner’s Hearing Room as a combined session with the Planning Commission to discuss the Sustainable Materials Management Element.

Additional:

RCAB now has 21 board members. Two new Board Members announced:

- Roger Pacheco, Republic Services
- Ken Wilson, At Large

Adjournment: Charles Kamenides called the meeting to a close at 6:01 pm