

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF LAFAYETTE, COLORADO**

**Energy Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting
February 8, 2022**

I. OPENING OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

Call to Order

The February 8, 2022 meeting of the Lafayette Energy Sustainability Advisory Committee was called to order at 6:35pm.

Roll Call

Those in attendance from LESAC were Committee Chair, Zack Rogers, Committee Chair David LoVullo, Secretary Neal Kruis, Committee Members Ellen Mooneyhan, Garrett McDaniel, Guy Higgins, Ariel Kalishman Walsh, and Branden Morhous.

Absent: Committee member Jeff Koppel.

City participant included Board Liaison Elizabeth Szorad and City Council Liaison Tim Barnes.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Zack Rogers and seconded by Neal Kruis to approve the minutes from the January 11, 2022 LESAC meeting. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

III. PUBLIC INPUT

1. None.

IV. AGENDA ITEMS

A. Staff Updates

- a. PACE: WRAC helped PACE deliver to-go ware to restaurants. All restaurants were very appreciative of the supplies. Given the success of this program, planning to do a version in 2022 – still in the works.
- b. Greenhouse Gas Inventory: City is building out webpage where we will share the results of the GHG Inventory. Originally stated January we would release, waiting until presentation to Council. Presentation will be conducted to Council in April about the results of the GHG and upcoming Earth Month events.
- c. Three Cart Program Updates: Internal evaluation team has reviewed the proposals, conducted interviews, site visits, and reference checks with proposers for the residential solid waste contract. Internal team members are finalizing details to go to Council for a recommendation. Szorad will share more next month.
- d. Boulder County Grant 2022:
- e. Eco-Tober: Not much has occurred for this regional event. Partnered cities are touring Centaurus High School to determine rental spaces and if it's what we are looking for in October. Will be signing contracts with event coordinator soon.

- f. *Hard to Recycle Event*: Working with a designer on the flyer for this event. April 23 at Flatirons Church parking lot – reservations will be required.
 - g. *Green Business Program*: Szorad is working with the designer on a logo for the Green Business Program. Another added layer is the State will be rolling out their Green Business Network and looking for municipalities to join the state programs rather than local programs. There is a co-branding option. Lafayette will be at the table to discuss how to integrate our local program with theirs without losing out local brand. More to come on this.
 - h. *Staffing Support*: We have hired a Sustainability Fellow, she will be starting February 14 and will help with coordinating community events and leading the charge with mobile home park engagement. Her name is Alexis Bullen, she has served on WRAC a few years back, she also has a background in Sustainability Communications with the City of Boulder.
 - i. *Electric Tools for Open Space*: Will be ordering tools in March.
 - j. *Building Codes*: City is in the process of reviewing 2021 energy conservation codes and reviewing strengthening amendments such as electric ready or preferred in new builds.
 - k. *SharePoint*: Szorad worked with the IT department to develop a shared drive for LESAC members via SharePoint. At this moment only Mooneyhan has access and will organize the LESAC information prior to allow other LESAC members to join. This is a pilot as we are the first committee to ask for these permissions so there may be hiccups on the way.
- B. City Council Liaison Update:
- 1. Council just finished up its retreat to set a vision and direction for the City. Councilors got to know each other better and learned how to work together. Conducted a DISC evaluation to determine what each Councilor is motivated by. Reviewed strategic outcomes from previous Council to see if there needed to be any updates. Environmental leadership changed to environmental stewardship to address climate resiliency. Also reviewed what is happening at the City and into the future.
- C. Other Business:
- 1. Golf Maintenance Facility Energy Load Audit: As many of you are aware City is hoping to pilot a Ford Lightning with Open Space. An energy load audit with our golf maintenance facility needs to occur as most of City facilities are at load capacity. Szorad asked if LESAC would like to fund the project to start expanding our EV fleet. The cost of the energy load audit is \$1,200.

A motion was made by Guy Higgins and seconded by Zack Rogers to use up to \$1,200 of the LESAC budget to fund an electrical panel upgrade at the golf maintenance facility, and if an energy load audit is necessary first the money will go towards that. A roll call

vote was taken, 6 yes votes, Morhous recused himself. This will be a part of a larger infrastructure plan to electrify our fleet and tools at the City.

2. Charge Ahead Colorado Grant: LESAC has applied for this grant in the past to expand on Public EV Chargers. The committee wants to know if the grant only applies to Public chargers (or if the grant can apply to the maintenance facility for the City fleet. The committee will look into this further at a future meeting.
3. Earth Day Every Day Support – April 30: Szorad has been coordinating an event on April 30 from 10am – 2pm. Looking for two LESAC volunteers to staff a booth (provide LED light bulbs, talk about GHG inventory and more). Szorad also received a proposal from Joe Callahan who provides education/interactive activities for community events. Szorad asked if LESAC is interested in funding this station that will draw more residents to the event. The activities will include: solar oven to make 400 cookies, kale chips, sweet potato chips – potential to expand to local vegetables, watermelon slushies (via bike and blend), operate the sound system for the event, hair dryer via bike, etc. Total cost is \$700.00 for the educational and interactive booth. A motion was made by Zack Rogers and seconded by Neal Kruis to use LESAC budget to fund the interactive booth at \$700.00 for Earth Day Every Day Event on April 30. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.
4. CO2 Monitors: Councilor Barnes shared an educational CO2 monitor that LESAC should consider as an educational tool. The cost of this monitor is \$300.00. LESAC will collect additional ideas for educational materials/tools and decide on a budget at a future meeting.
5. Sustainability Board Brainstorm: Szorad talked to the City of Superior on the structure of their Sustainability Advisory Committee. They have nine members and four working groups. Their working grounds are: Climate/Energy, Water/Natural Environment, Transportation/Air Quality, and Waste. Working groups meet monthly outside of the Committee Meeting. This is a similar format to our individual projects. Being in a working group is voluntary and the groups align with Superiors Sustainability Plan. Szorad will be meeting with Louisville to understand their structure and challenges. WRAC suggested having a special meeting between WRAC and LESAC to highlight projects that each committee is working on to understand what the priorities are and pilot what a sustainability meeting can look like starting in April.
6. Project Updates:
 - a. Mobile Homes and Low-Income Communities: Morhous and LoVullo are meeting with a groups around Colorado doing work with mobile homes and Low-Income communities to see what current efforts can be leveraged in Lafayette.
 - b. Solar Expansion: Looking to establish 5MW of community solar for the City and Higgins and Mooneyhan meeting with Xcel energy to explore requirements. Talking with solar companies to see what can be offered.
 - c. Electrification: No updates. Project team will meet this month.

V. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:41pm.

ATTEST

CITY OF LAFAYETTE, COLORADO

Elizabeth Szorad Staff Liaison

LESAC Zack Rogers, Chair

The minutes herein are a summary of the business conducted at this meeting, not a verbatim transcript. Only the actions taken and the text appearing in quotation marks are verbatim.