

Renewable Energy & Energy Conservation Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2014

Logan City Environmental Department Class Room

Board Members Present: Jim Goodwin, Richard Anderson, Loren Anderson, David Jenkins, Matt Hansen

Also in attendance: Amy Anderson, Emily Malik, Mayor Craig Petersen, Mark Montgomery, Jeannie Simmonds

1. Acceptance of Agenda/Minutes

Emily said minutes will be sent out by email for approval.

2. Announcements

Emily mentioned that Mayor Petersen asked her to attend the Sustainable City Year Program Conference in Eugene, Oregon later in the spring.

Emily said the Governor's Energy Summit will be on June 4, 2014.

3. Announcements

Mark said that Gary Saxton approached him and they are looking at putting electrical charge stations on Mains Street.

Mayor Petersen said he thought it was a great idea.

Mark mentioned if anybody has suggestions to email him.

Dave suggested an incentive to help apartment communities put a few charging stations in their complexes.

Richard mentioned that if you have charging stations for under 1 hour the charge needs to be a large charge.

Mark said that he has been talking with Emily and Mayor Petersen about residential light rebates based off of Rocky Mountain Powers incentives.

Mark mentioned he thinks the commercial light rebates will slow down.

Emily said the commercial light rebates has actually picked up lately.

Mark said UAMPS now provides rebates. They will do all of the paperwork and cut checks for the customer.

34 Mark mentioned Mark Thomas is going to do a review for him.

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36 **4. Report on Intermountain Sustainability Summit**

37 Emily said the Intermountain Sustainability Summit was great and the speakers were very
38 informative.

39 Jim mentioned the opening remarks were great and that Sally Jewels was a great speaker.

40 Jim said he attended a seminar about geo-thermal ground source heat pumps. He mentioned
41 he asked David Eckels to come speak to RECAB at the next meeting.

42 Loren agreed that David would be great to present to the board.

43 Loren said he would like to learn more about retro fitting geo-thermal ground source heat
44 pumps.

45 Emily mentioned maybe inviting some local developers to the meeting to see the
46 presentation.

47 Jeannie said she thinks we would need to provide an incentive to help developers.

48 Richard said Cache Valley has a lot of ground water that works great for geo-thermal ground
49 source heat pumps.

50 Mayor Petersen said they are looking at a new recreation center by the aquatic center and
51 maybe they should look at geo-thermal ground source heat pumps for the building.

52 Jim mentioned he thinks ground source heat pumps is something the board should look at
53 along with wind and solar.

54 Dave, Mark, and Richard mentioned they would not be able to attend the April 4th meeting.

55 Emily suggested having David Eckels come to the May 2nd meeting.

56 Loren suggested getting commitments instead of just sending out an announcement.

57 Jeannie said that big developments are usually completed by large companies from Salt Lake
58 City.

59 Emily mentioned Big D is doing the project on 1000 North and Main. She also said Big D did
60 attend the Intermountain Sustainability Summit.

61 Loren said he would like to know what Big D thinks of geo-thermal ground source heat
62 pumps.

63 Jim said that incentives would be great to help with geo-thermal ground source heat pumps.

64 Jim mentioned he will ask David Eckels to present at the May 2nd meeting.

65 **5. Utility Comparison**

66 Emily presented a power point on Utility Comparison.

67 Emily mentioned that through her research Logan Light and Power is doing better than most
68 cities in similar size and 1 city did not stand out to come speak to RECAB.

69 Mark said he is trying to figure out how to make the solar farm work.

70 Mark mentioned he is thinking of sending out a survey in utility billing to see what the
71 residential interest level is.

72 Emily said community solar is very popular right now.

73 Mayor Petersen asked if the bottom line was that there is not a clear path.

74 Emily said that is correct.

75 **6. Handout: Proposed agenda for next meeting**

76 Emily mentioned that Byard was not able to get her the proposed agenda.

77 Peter asked if the RFP was off the table because of the new mayor.

78 Mark said the mayor would like a clearer picture before spending a large amount of money on
79 an RFP. They are still working on an RFP.

80 **7. Next Meeting**

81 The next meeting will be held on Friday April 4, 2014.

82 Meeting adjourned at 9 am.

83 Minutes submitted by: Amy Anderson