



Sustainability Office

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Boulder County Resource Conservation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes – August 22, 2018

Present:

Darla Arians – Boulder County
Russ Callas – At-Large
Jack DeBell – CU Recycling
Brandon Hill – Resource Central (phone)
Bryce Isaacson – Western Disposal
Bridget Johnson – Town of Jamestown
Charles Kamenides – City of Longmont
Dan Matsch – Town of Lyons
Roger Pacheco – Republic Services
Chris Pelletier – Town of Nederland
Mark Persichetti – City of Louisville
Tim Plass – At-Large
David Snapp – At Large
Stephanie Walton – City of Lafayette
Ken Wilson – At Large

Active Members Not Present:

Michael Donovan – At-Large
Chris Hanson – Town of Superior
Suzanne Jones – Eco-Cycle
Sam Weaver – City of Boulder

RCAB Staff Liaison:

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

Guests:

Kevin Afflerbaugh – Western Disposal
Elizabeth French – Boulder County PACE
Lisa Skumatz – Serainc (phone)
Bart Spedon – Republic Services
Lea Yancey – Commissioners' Office/Sustainability

1. Call to Order

Charles Kamenides called the meeting to order at 4:52 pm.

2. Approval of July 25, 2018 Minutes

Mark Persichetti motioned for approval; Bryce seconded. Unanimous vote approved.

3. Community Updates & Public Comment

- **Boulder County RCD** – Spring cleanup events are complete and had great attendance and diversion. Two hazmat events are still scheduled for the rest of the year. Louisville is the newest partner with ReTrac, and will be requiring haulers to input data. This service is offered for free by the county, and all municipalities are encouraged to participate.
- **CU Boulder** – Shared information on a webinar series produced by the National Recycling Coalition and Pennsylvania Recycling Markets Center library:
<http://www.pennrmc.org/webinar-library>. **GreenEd.US** is an accredited organization that provides national certification for Sustainable Resource Management Professionals.
- **City of Lafayette** – Peach Festival had a record turnout and produced around 100lbs of waste. Diversion rates will be available shortly. Art Night Out has enjoyed a 90% or above diversion rate. September 15th is an electronics recycling event at the Service Center. Information for this can be found on the city's website. The Waste Reduction Advisory Committee has done some strategic planning around data collection and a three-bin system for trash, recycling, and compost.

- **City of Longmont** – Paint collection event happening September 15th. Curbside leaf collection is also coming up this fall.
 - **Eco-Cycle** – Carbon Farm-to-Table Dinner is coming up at McCauley Family Farms September 23rd.
 - **Jamestown** – 10 Community Gardens have been planted with the help of a GoCo Grant. 4th of July was incredibly successful with diversion rates as only two 13-gallon bags were collected of waste for the landfill which is a new record.
 - **Resource Central** – August 4th Tool Sale 75,000 pounds of materials sold which set a record for Resource Central. Thank you to everyone that promoted and participated.
 - **Republic Recycling** – Bart will be taking over Roger's seat at RCAB.
 - **Russ Callas** – More and more houses are being scraped with heavy equipment instead of being deconstructed properly. Contractors are asking why, because of a lack of oversite, they can't just do that and save a lot of money and do it quicker. City and County policies are clear, there is simply a lack of enforcement.
 - **Town of Lyons** – Drop-off center moving in the next couple of weeks.
4. **Zero Waste Funding Opportunity 2019:** September 4th Zero Waste Funding Cycle; October 10th – 19th applications will be reviewed. Two rounds of meetings will be needed to decide. RCAB asked if there should be written guidelines submitted which address potential conflict of interest situations with committee members who submit an application for funding. It has always been the committee's process to have any committee member who is applying for funding to recuse him or herself from the conversation and voting around that particular application. The bylaws address conflict of interest, so staff will consult with legal counsel on how best to proceed.
5. **Presentation: Boulder County Greenhouse Inventory & 2018 Sustainability Plan Update:** See presentation.
6. **Subcommittee Updates:**
- Food Waste – Copia finds extra food and connects it with people in need for food as well as transportation. Wants to meet soon to begin talking about 2019 Food Waste Awareness week/month campaigns.
 - Infrastructure – Three potential sites have been identified for future zero waste infrastructure, including C&D processing, composting, debris management, and sort yard capabilities. Site visits are being scheduled for October/November; one in Austin and two in California. A site analysis and comparison study is being commissioned in September/October as well. The Infrastructure Committee hopes to come back to RCAB by December with recommendations.
 - Communications – has turned in to a more open and collaborative county-wide municipal partnership with multi-sector communication liaisons.
 - E-Waste – it is difficult to find their niche. How does this group create a fund to help with low-income responsibility to recycling electronics? Can this committee fit under infrastructure in finding a most convenient way to recycle electronics in north and east-county?

7. **Adjournment:** Charlie Kamenides adjourned the meeting at 6:26 pm.