

**SANDPOINT SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2018, 4:00 PM  
CITY HALL, UPSTAIRS CONFERENCE ROOM  
1123 LAKE STREET**

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:** Cindy Peer, Emily Cleveland, Molly McCahon, John Hastings, Katie Turner, Karen Robinson, Bridget Koch

**COUNCIL/STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** City Staff liaison Ryan Shea

**COUNCIL/COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT:** Joe Tate

Peer called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

**MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None.

Agenda Item A: Approval of Minutes:

Hastings motioned and Robinson seconded to approve the minutes of December 21, 2017. **Motion passes unanimously.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Agenda Item B: Recycling

McCahon explained that China has banned the import of certain plastics which could significantly impact recycling in the U.S. She pointed out that China is currently the largest importer and half of all the U.S.'s plastic goes to China.

McCahon talked about how to incentivize folks bringing back the reusable water bottles. Peer said that she could approach Waste Management to see if they could donate more bottles for the Festival.

Agenda Item C: Marketing

McCahon asked about how to market what the Sustainability is currently doing – Facebook, Reader? The committee talked about what to include in the Reader and to have something into Shea by Friday the 9th.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Agenda Item D: Update on City Energy efforts

Shea explained to the committee that the city is currently performing an energy audit for their buildings and that he would report back to the committee as soon as it was completed.

Robinson said that there are two different grants available for Arbor Day. Shea explained that the Urban Forester does an Arbor celebration every year but would like to do something a bigger this year. The committee spoke about in what ways would be appropriate for the Sustainability Committee could be involved in this celebration. Hastings made a motion to recommend to the Urban Forester and the Tree Committee to expand the Arbor Day Foundation and provide an educational component and that the Sustainability Committee would be ready to assist if needed. Motion seconded by Robinson. **Motion passes unanimously.**

Agenda Item E: Update on University of Idaho Property

Shea explained to the committee that there have been two processes that have occurred for the university of Idaho property plans – a comprehensive plan update and a finer-grained design plan created by a firm hired by the city. Shea showed the committee where they could access the online survey and see the results: [https://www.peakdemocracy.com/portals/287/Issue\\_5904](https://www.peakdemocracy.com/portals/287/Issue_5904).

Agenda Item F: City Council Meeting Updates

Committee did not discuss.

Matters from Staff/Commission: None.

Meeting adjourned at 5:11 pm.