



# City of Laramie

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## Minutes

### Laramie/Albany County Environmental Advisory Committee Thursday, December 3, 2020 at 6:00 PM

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting convened at 6:00 PM

Members present: Ellen Currano, Eric Krszjaniek, Ramsey Bently, Mary Grace Bedwell, Evelyn Hill, Harry Plendl, and Rhiannon Jakopak.

Members absent:

There was a quorum present at all times.

Council Liaison: Erin O'Doherty (Present)

Staff Present: Darren Parkin (Present),

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

##### 2-A. Changes and Approval of Agenda

**MOTION BY JAKOPAK, seconded by Krszjaniek,** to amend the Agenda as follows: under new business switch item 6.E. with 6.C.

**MOTION CARRIED** by voice vote.

**MOTION BY JAKOPAK, seconded by Krszjaniek,** to approve the Agenda as amended.

**MOTION CARRIED** by voice vote.

##### 2-B. Thursday, October 1, 2020 Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

**MOTION BY KRSZJZANIEK, seconded by Jakopak,** to approve the Minutes as written.

**MOTION CARRIED** by voice vote.

##### 2-C. Thursday, November 5, 2020 Environmental Advisory Committee Special Meeting Minutes

**MOTION BY KRSZJZANIEK, seconded by Jakopak,** to approve the Minutes as written.

**MOTION CARRIED** by voice vote.

#### 3. CITIZEN COMMENTS - Non-Agenda Related Topics – No Action Can Be Taken

No Citizen Comments.

#### 4. DISCLOSURES — Ex-parte communications; potential conflicts of interest

None.

#### 5. ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND STAFF: REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Will be catching up on things and will be having more presentations and speakers coming up.

##### 5.A. Introduction of New EAC Member - Mary Grace Bedwell

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

**6.A. Election of New EAC Chair and Vice-Chair**

Member Jakopak nominated Ellen Currano for Chair, seconded by Hill.

**MOTION BY PLENDI, seconded by Bentley,** to appoint Ellen Currano as Chair for the next 2 years.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

Ellen Currano nominated Rhiannon Jakopak as Vice Chair.

**MOTION BY CURRANO, seconded by Hill,** to appoint Rhiannon Jakopak as Vice Chair for the next 2 years.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

**6.B. Overview of November 11, 2020 Joint Corporations Committee Testimony on 21LSO-0219, (Solar Net Metering Bill) and Update on Current Status and Amendments - Ellen Currano/EAC Discussion  
Speaker/Presenter**

Ellen Currano gave an overview of the proposed bill and testimony on the bill including the EAC position statement.

**6.C. Discuss EAC Involvement at December 7, 2020 City Council Work Session on Municipal Emissions - Darren Parkin/EAC Discussion  
Speaker/Presenter**

**MOTION BY PLENDL, seconded by Jakopak,** to have Ellen represent EAC at the meeting of City Council.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote

**6.D. Discuss EAC Subcommittee That Was Formed on August 6, 2020 to "Research and Present Research on Solar Installations" - Erin O'Doherty/EAC Discussion**

**MOTION BY JAKOPAK, seconded by Hill,** to appoint committee member Bedwell as liaison between the EAC and Haub School for assessing solar options.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote

**6.E. Discuss Potential EAC Course of Action in Addressing Landfill Emissions - Rhiannon Jakopak/EAC Discussion**

**MOTION BY JAKOPAK, seconded by Bedwell,** to create a subcommittee that focuses on ways to assess waste reduction at the municipal level.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote

Bedwell and Hill volunteered to join the subcommittee, Jakopak Chair

**6.F. Discuss EAC Member Joining A Potential Ad-Hoc Committee with Other Volunteer Members of The Community to Assist and Advise in Updating the Casper Aquifer Protection Plan - Darren Parkin/EAC Discussion**

**MOTION BY PLENDL, seconded by Jakopak**, Committee member Bentley will be EAC representative on the potential Casper Aquifer Ad-Hoc committee.  
MOTION CARRIED by voice vote

**7. OLD BUSINESS:**

**8. DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING – February 4, 2021**

**9. ADJOURN**

**MOTION BY KRSZJZANIEK, seconded by Hill**, to adjourn the meeting.  
MOTION CARRIED by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 PM.

Minutes taken by: Darren Parkin

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