



Meeting Minutes - Draft

January 13, 2019 5:30 PM

2nd Floor Mayor's Conference Room, Rapid City Administration building, 300 6th St, Rapid City, SD 57701

Members present: Alan Anderson, Zach Burckhard, Kevin Crosby, Lillias Jarding, Kelli Juhl, Brian Mitchell, Kelly Moore, Jason Phillips, Garth Wadsworth, Lysann Zeller

Others Present: Bill Evans (Council Liaison), Kelsey Sakos (City Liaison), Chelsea Dickens (News Center 1), Emma Brown (Americorps VISTA), Tom Odeen, Doris Mandura, Melissa Peterson (Parks & Rec.), Dana Birney

Votes Taken (other than approval of minutes)

- Motion (by Kevin) to approve to approve up to \$200 for literature printing for the plastic bag Initiative. Second by Lillias and carried.
- Motion to approve (by Kelli) the award for BH Farmer's Market. Second by Kevin and carried.
- Official approval of 2020 Expo Keynote Speaker, Hunter Lovins – Kevin moved, Kelli 2nd and carried.

Call to Order – 5:34 pm

Agenda Approval - Request to add conversation about community gardens for Vets and Memorial Walk (RC Flood)

Public Comments

- BH Energy ElectrtoExpo took place on Jan 16th at the Ramkota. Usually a good conference.
- Dakota Rural Action meeting on the 14th
- RCSC needs to reach out to Mines Environmental Club
- Rapid City announces new Youth Council

Officers' Reports

Secretary: Minutes – Brian Moves to accept minutes, Jason 2nd and approved.

Treasurer: It was decided that our bank account would be a License and Trust through Rapid City and we are free to add money at any time. Does require the maintenance of good records.

Social Media Coordinator: Lysann broke into our RCSC Instagram account and has forwarded that info to Eva.

Presentation – LeCroix Links Community Gardens (Emma Brown)

A new community garden project is under way this spring at the location of the old Lacroix golf course. In connection with livewellblackhills.org, Western SD Community Action and the Americorps VISTA program, a space for garden plots and raised beds are going to be developed. It will have a small shed, fencing and some shared tools or lockers for tools. They are need of volunteers and their Build Day is March 16th.

Old Business

- a. **RCSC Tablecloth** – Looks really great!
- b. **Solid Waste/Recycling:**
 1. Christmas lights recycling program will end January 31st.
 2. Still working on the recycling report.
- c. **Dark Skies:** Dark Skies festival will be April 19th at the Journey Museum and Dark Skies will be a topic of conversation at Coffee with Planners, February 5th.
- d. **Sustainability Award:**
 - 1) Et-i-quette award presented to city council went really well and was well attended with great press.
 - 2) Farmer's Market award was approved unanimously. But there is still discussion about encouraging the Farmer's Market to promote re-useable bags instead of single use bags. A suggestion was made to look into Plant-based products association.
- e. **Black Hill PBR:** Updated the group about Fantastic Fungi tabling event and the direction of PBR. Also asked for money for printing of literature. Website not discussed.
- f. **Earth Day Expo:** Approved inviting Hunter Lovins for keynote speaker. Must reserve spots for banners over Main Street.

New Business

New business not discussed at this meeting.

Sub-Committee Reports - None at this time

Education/Outreach/Events -

City Facilities –

Sustainable Development –

Informational Items –

Sub-Committee meeting 1/27

Plastic Bag Task Force (PBR) tabling at "Fantastic Fungi" documentary Jan. 22 at 7pm

World Water Day – March 21 at the Journey

RC Flood march memorial – June 7th

Adjournment – 6:45

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kelli Juhl

