



Meeting Minutes

April 27th, 2020 5:30 PM

Zoom Meeting

Members present: Alan Anderson, Zach Burkhard, Kelli Juhl, Lysann Zeller

Others Present: Karl Merbach, Robert Raker

Call to Order – 5:30 pm

Agenda Approval- None

Public Comments

- Virtual Farmer's market – Ordering food online and picking up on Saturday.

Officers' Reports

Secretary: Minutes for March 9th, no quorum

Treasurer: No report

Social Media Coordinator: No report.

Presentation of Wild Springs project - 128 megawatt solar farm near New Underwood.

By Robert Raker

- Serving approx. 35,000 homes (when sun is shining)
- Up to 1500 Acres
- Potential economic contribution estimated to be \$15 million over 25 years
- Life should be 30 years or more

Old Business

- a) **Sustainability Award:** No updates
- b) **Black Hill PBR:** I'll try to get a quick email out to the group just to touch base.
- c) **Solid Waste/Recycling update:**
 1. WDT no report about recycle bins
 2. Solid Waste Master Plan Update: Formal thank you for allowing our participation....
 3. Landfill tour – will be rescheduled.
- d) **Dark Skies:** Some activity, but not much around Rapid.
- e) **Earth Day Expo:**
 1. Had follow up meeting to tie up loose ends. New date for Expo is April 24, 2021
- f) **Newspaper articles** – Listed some ideas and we discussed
- g) **Covid-19- effects** – have zoom workshops for building chicken coops, pickling and canning, pushing politicians on more sustainable measures.

New Business

- a) **Reimbursements requests – Hunter Lovins Books and FB boost** – No report from Kevin

b) RC Long Range Transportation Plan (meeting on May 1) – Kelli submitted a 1 1/2-page description of “Rail buses”

c) RCSC Annual Strategic Plan – something to start thinking about...

Informational Items –

Regular meeting 5/11 by Zoom

Adjournment- 7:11 (meeting business ended sooner, but there was additional discussion)

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kelli Juhl

