

**CARBONDALE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
July 18, 2022
Town Hall, Room 1
IN-PERSON/VIRTUAL MEETING
6:00 P.M.**

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When: Jul 18, 2022 06:00 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

Topic: Town of Carbondale Environmental Board Meeting, July 18, 2022

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| TIME* | | ITEM | DESIRED OUTCOME |
|-------|----|---|--|
| 6:00 | 1. | Roll Call | |
| 6:01 | 2. | <u>Consent Agenda:</u> Approval of June 20, 2022, Minutes | ATTACHMENT A REVIEW & VOTE |
| 6:05 | 3. | Persons Present Not on the Agenda | |
| 6:10 | 4. | Environmental Board Chair Nominations | |
| 6:30 | 5. | Strategic Work Plan Session Purpose: Identify strategic actions for the Environmental Board to work on in the next several months, how to communicate those to various audiences, and how to align with Board of Trustees and Town priorities | ATTACHMENTS B and C REVIEW & DISCUSS |
| 7:45 | 6. | Announcements | |
| 7:55 | 7. | Adjourn | |

* Please note: times are approximate

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| Natalie Rae Fuller | natalierae13@gmail.com | Dandelion Day Organizer |
| Tessa Schriener | Tessa.schreiner@gmail.com | Member |
| Genevieve Villamizar | salt.dirt@gmail.com | Interested Party? |

As of July 13th there are 9 members and 1 Alternate. Quorum is 5, the simple majority of 9.

| CURRENT FOCUS AREAS (current as of April 2022) | | CONTRIBUTORS (Board members) | | Committee member (non-board members) | NOTES |
|--|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| FOCUS AREA | POTENTIAL ACTIONS 2022 | TIMEFRAME | | | |
| Weed Management Ordinance | <p>2018: Town is creating a weed management ordinance. EBoard will review recommendations to BOT on weed management issues.</p> <p>2022: Pat "never really been a focus for Eboard. This is a technical issue that is handled within the town management."</p> | | | | Is this to remain a focus area? We don't have a champion to do deep - its part of the ESDR, so we can push forward for the ESDR to be part of town consideration during planning. GJV: This is housed in Parks & Rec, 2022, but an example of how the environment issues tie into through beer departments and advisory boards & commissions, requiring clear communication channels and relationship building on the part of Eboard members and staff. |
| Contributor to Carbondale Lighting Ordinance | <p>2018: Participate in night walks</p> <p>Help draft guidelines for Carbondale Lighting Ordinance</p> <p>Help determine how many street lights are needed in town.</p> <p>2022: Pat "No action"</p> <p>2022: Working to replace the town's old signs, and generally work toward Carbondale using fewer plastic bags. Town is working on a new waste ordinance plan. EBoard's primary role will be to contribute to and continue waste diversion efforts.</p> <p>2022: Pat "Waste Diversion Day taken over by the town. A plan was created by Eboard to include a few more retail stores with City Market. The BOT voted to proceed down. A third party was hired by the BOT to proceed but the project was stopped by the Town when Covid appeared. It is now dormant."</p> | | | | Is this to remain a focus area? GJV: Fosty is committed to this, and tried in 2019 or 2020 to make it an Eboard priority. Fosty mentioned more frequent updates of the building code, this is an example of policy we could advance within 2022. |
| Waste Management & Plastic Bag Use | <p>2018: Work with the tree board to label trees (scientific and common names) around town as an educational effort. Have town agree on plan to label trees by mid-summer.</p> <p>Identify how to ensure Carbondale Day continues sustainably.</p> <p>Organize Waste Diversion Day</p> <p>Identify how to systematically use waste diversion and hazardous waste days.</p> <p>Promote less plastic bag use in town.</p> <p>Potentially work to expand the bag ban.</p> <p>2022: Pat "Yes. Thank you Colin!" Presumably this means accomplished.</p> | | Colin - lets call this done | | Colin: Town has funds, and a work plan, for the third party consultant to continue this work. I suggest we ask the BOT to restart this work and the consultant work with the Eboard to complete. |
| Label Trees | <p>2018: Work with the tree board to label trees (scientific and common names) around town as an educational effort. Have town agree on plan to label trees by mid-summer.</p> <p>Identify how to ensure Carbondale Day continues sustainably.</p> <p>Organize Waste Diversion Day</p> <p>Identify how to systematically use waste diversion and hazardous waste days.</p> <p>Promote less plastic bag use in town.</p> <p>Potentially work to expand the bag ban.</p> <p>2022: Pat "Yes. Thank you Colin!" Presumably this means accomplished.</p> | | Colin - lets call this done | | |
| Rio Grande Ecological Education | <p>2018: Help make the bike path between 8th and 133 more fun with ecological related education, more trees and plants, potentially combined with art (working with Carbondale Arts)</p> <p>2022: Nicole "Carbondale Arts is hosting a field day with students to plant native shrubs and seeds and also install pollinator sculptures. Scheduled to be completed this year."</p> <p>GJV: GARC is adding age-friendly benches with a pollinator habitat garden with educational signage</p> | | Nicole | | |
| Effectively use traffic counters | <p>Organize Dandelion Day - 2021 GJV: Natalie has grown the event by hosts and boards, bringing activities, games, and engagement to the event</p> | | | | Is this to remain a focus area? |
| Organize Dandelion Day | <p>2018: Focus on building codes</p> <p>Town should lead by example to implement a plan - not just create one</p> <p>Act as town facilitator</p> <p>2022: Pat "Frosty, Scott, and I met with Jeff Dickinson, working for CLEAR, and assisted with advancing the building codes to the more recent versions. Over a two year period we handled residential and commercial. They've issued 3 year intervals. We pressed for more universal on-site solar and electrification of buildings. Some of our advice was adopted. We discussed the plan in our meetings. A meeting was held with the BOT. I personally advocated for more data and more money to provide some basic support to create a working plan to achieve the CAP goals. CLEAR did produce a compilation of the utility use of the Town. The Town did allocate a new \$25,000 budget for the CAP. The money was passed to CLEAR by the BOT. Eboard was instructed to limit our communication with CLEAR.</p> <p>I obtained a comprehensive data base of all properties within the city limits of Carbondale from DeWald County Assessors office and gave it to CLEAR. This contains complete descriptions of properties. This could be a tremendous asset regarding planning programs to retrofit existing buildings to meet the CAP goals. Nothing has been done.</p> <p>2018: Continue with Sopria Sun articles, hearing Eboard Maps</p> <p>Celebrate 20 years at Dandelion Days</p> <p>Annual Schedule of PSA's for BOT</p> <p>2022: No comment. H1. Communication should include strategy for 1) public and 2) BOT.</p> | Spring 2022 | Natalie Rae, Fred, Genevieve | | |
| Carbondale Climate Action Plan | <p>2018: Continue with Sopria Sun articles, hearing Eboard Maps</p> <p>Celebrate 20 years at Dandelion Days</p> <p>Annual Schedule of PSA's for BOT</p> <p>2022: No comment. H1. Communication should include strategy for 1) public and 2) BOT.</p> | | Michael Port, Fred, Colin | | Michael: Building efficiency, transportation alternatives to up-river single car travel, carpooling |
| Communications | <p>2018: Continue with Sopria Sun articles, hearing Eboard Maps</p> <p>Celebrate 20 years at Dandelion Days</p> <p>Annual Schedule of PSA's for BOT</p> <p>2022: No comment. H1. Communication should include strategy for 1) public and 2) BOT.</p> | | Pat, H1, Quinn, Colin | | |
| Transportation | <p>2018: Collect and use traffic counter data.</p> <p>Develop strategy for using data - what do we want to learn</p> <p>Schedule deployment of traffic counters with 777 (also needs to actually setup and run them)</p> <p>Learn software</p> <p>2022: No comment. Proposed Action 2022: GJV: Emphasize walk-bike culture, follow other communities that use a third color, chalkboard green, to paint the bike lanes and showrooms, a visible cue differentiating required attention and color-coding of conduct within town zones. Proposed Action 2022: GJV: Name Hwy 133 through town; see note at right. Proposed Action 2022: E1 car chargers (from Pat) Colin: Continue to review variances and provide input directly to the building department</p> <p>Town has no staff dedicated to env or sustainability issues. Is this something we want to advocate for?</p> | | Colin - this is almost done. | | GJV: Entire our highway through town on has Aspen & Glenwood dr. Put into play an impervious bunch to the changes our community demanded in the Core Plan Update. Green street signs declaring our street is a street through town, not a route shot to the (En Science Loop. Indirectly, subconsciously dampen acceleration of critical events along 133 by repeating residential street cues, versus major highway cues (massive poles, signs, etc.). "Low speed streets save lives and are at the heart of any community." emphasize Streets 22.05, Carbondale on initiative within the United Nations Sustainability Goals. In our rapidly growing and changing town, emphasize this as a celebration to promote our Sense of Place versus a slow down campaign, slower and safer community, one and of place, through a meaningful conversation. (checked in with GJV) Our Planning Department would like to formalize this. It would require address change forms for those along HWY 133. If right cost businesses to change website and branding info and materials to reflect new name, but that's a civic privilege binding to many cohorts. |
| Comprehensive Plan | <p>2018: Collect and use traffic counter data.</p> <p>Develop strategy for using data - what do we want to learn</p> <p>Schedule deployment of traffic counters with 777 (also needs to actually setup and run them)</p> <p>Learn software</p> <p>2022: No comment. Proposed Action 2022: GJV: Emphasize walk-bike culture, follow other communities that use a third color, chalkboard green, to paint the bike lanes and showrooms, a visible cue differentiating required attention and color-coding of conduct within town zones. Proposed Action 2022: GJV: Name Hwy 133 through town; see note at right. Proposed Action 2022: E1 car chargers (from Pat) Colin: Continue to review variances and provide input directly to the building department</p> <p>Town has no staff dedicated to env or sustainability issues. Is this something we want to advocate for?</p> | | Colin - this is almost done. | | "Low speed streets save lives and are at the heart of any community." |
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| Develop Town Landscape Code | <p>2018: Collect and use traffic counter data.</p> <p>Develop strategy for using data - what do we want to learn</p> <p>Schedule deployment of traffic counters with 777 (also needs to actually setup and run them)</p> <p>Learn software</p> <p>2022: No comment. Proposed Action 2022: GJV: Emphasize walk-bike culture, follow other communities that use a third color, chalkboard green, to paint the bike lanes and showrooms, a visible cue differentiating required attention and color-coding of conduct within town zones. Proposed Action 2022: GJV: Name Hwy 133 through town; see note at right. Proposed Action 2022: E1 car chargers (from Pat) Colin: Continue to review variances and provide input directly to the building department</p> <p>Town has no staff dedicated to env or sustainability issues. Is this something we want to advocate for?</p> | | Nicole | Genevieve | |
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| Disaster Preparedness | <p>2018: Collect and use traffic counter data.</p> <p>Develop strategy for using data - what do we want to learn</p> <p>Schedule deployment of traffic counters with 777 (also needs to actually setup and run them)</p> <p>Learn software</p> <p>2022: No comment. Proposed Action 2022: GJV: Emphasize walk-bike culture, follow other communities that use a third color, chalkboard green, to paint the bike lanes and showrooms, a visible cue differentiating required attention and color-coding of conduct within town zones. Proposed Action 2022: GJV: Name Hwy 133 through town; see note at right. Proposed Action 2022: E1 car chargers (from Pat) Colin: Continue to review variances and provide input directly to the building department</p> <p>Town has no staff dedicated to env or sustainability issues. Is this something we want to advocate for?</p> | | H1, Quinn, Michael, Colin | | https://www.rehabilitation.org/the-benchmark/ |
| Landscape Transformation Program | <p>2018: Collect and use traffic counter data.</p> <p>Develop strategy for using data - what do we want to learn</p> <p>Schedule deployment of traffic counters with 777 (also needs to actually setup and run them)</p> <p>Learn software</p> <p>2022: No comment. Proposed Action 2022: GJV: Emphasize walk-bike culture, follow other communities that use a third color, chalkboard green, to paint the bike lanes and showrooms, a visible cue differentiating required attention and color-coding of conduct within town zones. Proposed Action 2022: GJV: Name Hwy 133 through town; see note at right. Proposed Action 2022: E1 car chargers (from Pat) Colin: Continue to review variances and provide input directly to the building department</p> <p>Town has no staff dedicated to env or sustainability issues. Is this something we want to advocate for?</p> | | | Genevieve | Potential address: Glen, Jerome (CRMP) |
| Energy Efficient Buildings | <p>2018: Collect and use traffic counter data.</p> <p>Develop strategy for using data - what do we want to learn</p> <p>Schedule deployment of traffic counters with 777 (also needs to actually setup and run them)</p> <p>Learn software</p> <p>2022: No comment. Proposed Action 2022: GJV: Emphasize walk-bike culture, follow other communities that use a third color, chalkboard green, to paint the bike lanes and showrooms, a visible cue differentiating required attention and color-coding of conduct within town zones. Proposed Action 2022: GJV: Name Hwy 133 through town; see note at right. Proposed Action 2022: E1 car chargers (from Pat) Colin: Continue to review variances and provide input directly to the building department</p> <p>Town has no staff dedicated to env or sustainability issues. Is this something we want to advocate for?</p> | | | | |
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| Budget/Trustees | <p>2018: Collect and use traffic counter data.</p> <p>Develop strategy for using data - what do we want to learn</p> <p>Schedule deployment of traffic counters with 777 (also needs to actually setup and run them)</p> <p>Learn software</p> <p>2022: No comment. Proposed Action 2022: GJV: Emphasize walk-bike culture, follow other communities that use a third color, chalkboard green, to paint the bike lanes and showrooms, a visible cue differentiating required attention and color-coding of conduct within town zones. Proposed Action 2022: GJV: Name Hwy 133 through town; see note at right. Proposed Action 2022: E1 car chargers (from Pat) Colin: Continue to review variances and provide input directly to the building department</p> <p>Town has no staff dedicated to env or sustainability issues. Is this something we want to advocate for?</p> | | | | |
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OVERALL GOALS

1) Support Climate Action Plan

2) Implement the Environmental Bill of Rights

3) Organize Dandelion Day

4) Improve preparedness for natural disasters

5) Carbondale to Declare or Update a Climate Emergency Ordinance

GUIDING DOCUMENTS

1) Carbondale Climate Action Plan

2) Environmental Bill of Rights

3) VCAPS

4) Comprehensive Plan

Notes for EBoard agenda on 7/18

Summary of BOT/EBoard collaboration:

- Climate Action Plan and COMP Plan Update (Enviro Bill of Rights and VCAPS too) are a focus to guide the EBoard
- July water work session will address town water goals; discuss demand reduction w/ Mark O'Meara after this work session
- Discussion w/ fire dept of wildfire preparedness at planning/land use level - any meeting to include Ben/Chris & HH/Colin
- Low water landscape - suggest plugging into Rio Grande trail projects
- New town pool energy goals - E Board can discuss options w/ CLEER
- E Board/BOT will meet in fall to discuss work plan, budget in late summer/early fall.

Strategic discussion ideas:

- Should we update the e-board's vision, goals, and objectives captures in a document?
- Specific projects ideas – many from emails.
- Organization – listserv, google drive, subcommittees.