

**MINUTES
ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD
July 24, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER

Julia Farwell called the meeting to order at 6:18 pm on July 24, 2017 in the Town Hall meeting room.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present for roll call:

E-board Members:	Amanda Poindexter, Member Collin Quinn, Member Keelin Schaffrath, Member Jason White, Member Julia Farwell, Chair Patrick Hunter, Member
Town Staff Present:	Angie Sprang, Board Administrator Frosty Marriott, BOT Member Heather Henry, BOT Liaison Mark O'Meara, Town Liaison
Observers & Guests:	Alyssa Rydell Tom Dunlop John Hoffmann, Former BOT Member Doug Goldsmith, Mountain Waste & Recycling, Inc. Sarah, CORE Representative

PERSONS PRESENT NOT ON THE AGENDA

Doug Goldsmith with Mountain Waste and Recycling, Inc., informed the commission about a reusable bag program his company initiated. They used last year's recycled banners repurposed as reusable shopping bags. Doug reported that 252 tons of waste was collected last year between Aspen to Rifle, 12 and ½ tons collected daily. Mountain Waste & Recycling, Inc. plans to start offering a new scraps program involving

Tours of the facility are welcomed, and Doug provided his contact information to the commission for those who are interested. Discussion ensued regarding Pitkin County transfer station, and Doug noted that about 60% of our recycling goes to China. As the dynamics of this change, so will the way we manage recycling.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion Passed: Jason White ***moved*** to approve Eboard meeting minutes from June 26, 2017. Patrick Hunter ***seconded*** the motion, and it was ***unanimously approved***.

NEW BUSINESS

Uniform Development Code (UDC): Discussion ensued regarding the UDC. Jason White posed the questions to Heather Henry seeking direction about specific sections they may want reviewed by Eboard. Heather noted "site design" would be a section they may want to review and provide feedback on. Heather also noted that the inquiry for UDC feedback is more geared toward feedback from those who use the UDC on a regular basis. Heather explained that the UDC is the Town's legal document stating what people can do on privately owned land for land owners.

FINAL REPORTS

Environmental Bill of Rights (EBOR): Heather Henry, Frosty Marriott, and Tom Dunlop presented the final draft of the EBOR to the commission for approval. John Hoffmann, a member of the public, noted a concern with item #12 on the EBOR. John Hoffmann was concerned about the potential of the use of harsh chemicals, and proposed a revised version of item #12. The commission decided to edit item #12. Discussion ensued. Tom Dunlop, spoke to the Aspen EBOR and provided feedback on perspective. Heather Henry will redraft item 12 as discussed, and bring a finalized draft to the BOT meeting on 07/25/2017.

Discussion ensued regarding the purpose of the EBOR. The purpose of the EBOR

Motion Passed: Jason White ***moved*** to approve the EBOR draft with noted edits. Keelin Schaffrath ***seconded*** the motion, and it was ***unanimously approved***.

Reusable Bag Design/Samples: Keelin Schaffrath will provide reusable bag samples to Patrick Hunter and Collin Quinn to test. Discussion ensued regarding a budget cap for reusable bags. A budget cap is reserved for discussion at a later meeting. Discussion ensued regarding bag design. Discussion ensued regarding using Sew Works vs Envrio Textiles. Enviro Textiles mentioned that they may have more interesting fabric than Sew Works. Keelin will follow up with them. The commission will continue to think on the option of using bag trees at local shops. Alyssa Rydell suggested that the commission look into the option of going in on the purchase of reusable bags with Ace.

Two incentive models were discussed regarding reusable bags: (1) a charge of \$0.10 for the use of each bag, or (2) a discount of \$0.10 per bag not used with the option to donate those funds to a charity. Patrick noted that Ace is willing to work with the commission on pilot programs to gather data and see what works and what doesn't.

Dandelion Day Final Budget: This item was reserved for a later discussion.

UPDATES

Colin Quinn noted some opportunities such as: (1) labeling trees, (2) improving bike travel from 8th Street to Highway 133, and (3) installing a trail on the Crystal River toward the confluence of the Roaring Fork for the Eboard to get more involved in the community, and with other boards and commissions members (i.e. Tree Board).

Per the commission's request, Mark O'Meara provided the commission with an update of what the Utilities department is currently working on. Mark spoke about the Hydro & Crystal River grant opportunity, and the processing of water and waste water as well as the power supply and efficiencies of those functions.

Mark reopened discussions on weed management and treatment of trees on Main Street, treatment that will elongate their life span. Jason White suggested that these items are addressed by a task force or the Tree Board for advisement. The potential of a Integrated Weed Management Plan was revisited.

Sarah, will serve as the new CORE Representative for the Eboard. The commission welcomed her.

ADJOURNMENT

The June 26, 2017, regular meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled on August 28, 2017 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Angie Sprang
Board & Commissions Clerk