

# Citizen Conservation Advisory Board

## AGENDA

July 12, 2018

City-County Building, Room 426, 4:30 PM

1. Members in Attendance:
  - Denise Roth Barber
  - Ken Knudsen
  - Brian Fadie, Vice-Chair
  - Greg Ross
  - Sarah Norcott
  - Lisa Fairman
  - Richard Sloan, Vice-Chair
  - Patrick Judge
  - Morgan Shimkus
  - Ann Brodsky
  - Hannah Cail, Chair
2. Approve April and June 2018 Meeting Notes:
  - Ann moved to approve April and June meeting notes
  - Motion passed
3. Northwestern Energy LED conversion discussion
  - Sarah presented information on the NWE plan to convert street lights to LED
  - Plan to convert all of street lights in street lighting districts to LED
  - NWE owns street lights and customer/client is City of Helena
    - 3537 lights, not sure how many districts, majority owned by NWE, City still owns some of the lights
  - Start next year in Helena and 3 year project to get it done by 2021 across entire state; 43000 lights Phases one (80,000 lights total to convert – with City and non-city owned lights)
  - Majority of lights in Helena will be converted.
  - Dark sky compliant
  - lumens are similar
  - Still selecting which light to go with for conversion
  - Parking lot of business would be outside lighting district
  - SUGGESTED RECOMMENDATIONS: City of Helena bootstrap on to NWE and convert its lights too; use money saved on lighting and funnel that money into the energy loan program
  - SUGGESTED RECOMMENDATIONS: ask city for info on City's own street lighting district and conversion to LED
  - \$21 million up front infrastructure cost for NWE
  - will also inspect existing infrastructure
4. Introductions & interests discussion - Board Members

- Sarah’s fresh idea: dirt roads; paving roads to eliminate dust and air-quality, cost savings
  - Ways to get sub-committees organized:
    - Committee by Issue
      - Use 2009 Report
      - Charge – what should be implemented; what is legislature up to
      - Conservation; Best Practices; recognize there will be cross-over
    - 1. Energy
    - 2. Water
    - 3. Transportation, Waste, Recycling
    - 4. Education and Public Outreach
  - Homework – to fill out survey on skills, interests, background, concerns, passion
    - Denise will draft survey
    - Social event to learn about each other
  - Want to see what other city’s are doing on conservation; best practices
    - This is what ICLEI does
    - Someone research
5. Dennis Taylor introduction – Interim City Manager
    - Aware of EICLI request
  6. Discussion on seeking input from Public on issues the Board should address and explore
  7. Public comment
    - None presented
  8. Adjourn

Next Meeting Suggestions:

- Subcommittees
- Bylaws approval
- May notes approval
- “Urgent” Recommendations to City