

Sustainable Gallup Board Meeting – Sept. 8, 2020 (due to Labor Day)

Quorum, as in attendance: Bill Bright, Gerald O'Hara, Tracy Lassiter, Dennis Romero, Pat Sheely.

Items A-E were addressed; the board had quorum as 3/3 board members were present; roll call and previous minutes approved.

Item F: Recycling Update: Gerald was late to the meeting; Tracy updated the Board with reporting about the delay in making its videos as earlier announced due to complications with the grant protocols. It's just postponed so MCRC has time to prep materials and work with the city before applying for the funding again. Also, she reported how the MCRC made art kits for the Boys & Girls Club and will be donating supplies for Art123's next kit giveaway. Also, the MCRC will not be hosting its annual America Recycles Day event due to pandemic issues.


Item G: No follow-up from the city about city solar.

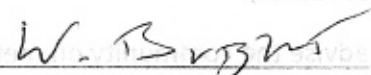
Item H: Dennis Romero was asked about the possibility of having the city install more EV stations. He mentioned that Santa Fe has installed some and those have been received well. It implemented credit card payment systems – it's not free. There are some canopies of solar panels for parking. Bill suggested that while Coal St. and alley projects are going on, it might be a good time to suggest them to city council. Because the project involves city and county properties, it isn't a simple suggestion. The board decided to bring this matter forward to future discussions. Dennis Romero said we would have about 9 mos. to implement it – it would be a good time to bring it up. He suggested the lot behind the Children's Library and across by the courthouse would be good places to install them. Tracy suggested putting together a proposal of costs/need to submit to the city or other stakeholders for their consideration. Dennis Romero offered to share information/Power Points to give SGB a starting point.

Item I: SGB/City communications: Dennis Romero came to speak about the city's long-term water project. It will be delayed from 2024 to 2027 because NTUA asked the Bureau of Reclamation to add storage (purchased or leased), perhaps at the San Juan regeneration plant. Dennis said for that interim they would have to implement some other water regulations so there won't be a city shortage. The Navajo Nation said it will help drill a well. The Water Trust Board is getting grant money for seven wells without charging residents. The benefit of the delay is that it will result in an upgrade, including new lines.

Adjournment at 4:40.

Signed:

  
Tracy Lassiter 10/21/20

  
William Bright, Chairperson

Date Approved: