

Juneau Commission on Sustainability (JCOS)
Wednesday, March 30, 2023, 12:00 p.m. (Noon) Zoom

1. Call to Order

Chair Keiser called the meeting to order at noon.

2. Land Acknowledgement

3. Roll Call

Present: Jessica Barker, Steve Behnke, Marian Call, Gretchen Keiser, Duff Mitchell, Jim Powell, David Teal, Nick Waldo

Absent: Laura Achee

A quorum was present.

Staff & Others Present: CBJ Staff Liaison Denise Koch, CBJ staff Dianna Robinson, Alan Steffert (Eng & PW) and Nate Abbott (Parks & Rec), Lori Sowa (AEL&P), Bill Leighty & Nancy Waterman, Sunny Sanwar (Constellation), Paul Goodfellow (ADEC), Pete Strow, Cassandra Joos, and Rochelle Lindley (Kensington), Jim? (Waste Management)

4. Approval of Agenda

Add Earth Day proclamation.

5. Approval of Minutes

Minutes for the meeting of March 1, 2023 were approved without objection.

6. Public Participation

Bill Leighty—wants to be sure the scope of the inventory reaches all fossil fuel usage in the community, particularly cruise ships.

7. Agenda Topics

- a. 2021 Energy Use and GHG Inventory: Preliminary Draft Report 3: – Denise Koch (CBJ) and Sunny Sanwar (Constellation)

Insufficient data for trend analysis, but good progress made. JCOS comments close April 5, final review draft produced, then public comments for 3 weeks, then final report and Constellation work on mapping, followed by formal meeting/presentation to Assembly.

Sunny Sanwar: brief review of methodology, results and next steps. Scope 3 (cruise ship emissions) is an issue. For Juneau, the cruise ship contribution to GHG is relatively large (compared to Scope 3 emissions in other communities) and many residents want cruise ships included in the inventory. Working on it. Would be nice to get consumption data from the cruise lines rather than using hours in port to estimate usage. May be a separate report—issues of responsibility regarding ship emissions and how to control them push beyond mere inventory toward advocacy and public policy.

Next draft can incorporate tons/capita information and compare it to other communities.

Comments from JCOS and others today on draft go to Denise by April 5.

- b. Takeaways from the 2021 Energy/GHG Inventory Update – Steve Behnke (JCOS)
Mr. Behnke addressed (in a paper attached to packet) the issue of what to do with this report to maximize its exposure and impact. A sustainability session may be the best way to get a progress report and recommendations to the assembly.
- c. Sustainability Session – Steve Behnke (JCOS)
 - i. Summary of findings of inventory report
 - ii. Progress report
 - iii. Opportunities/Impacts of changes
 - iv. Value of continued updates
 - v. Links to 5-year work plan

Mr. Powell: Can we attach dollars to actions? Mr. Sanwar said some data are available and he may be able to apply that data to Juneau's situation.

Ms. Sowa: AELP will share data on costs and impact of beneficial electrification.

Mr. Mitchell: this sustainability session should be high level; deep dives can occur in multiple meetings.

Mr. Behnke and Ms. Call will work on a date.

- d. Earth Day Proclamation—draft goes to Mayor for use at assembly and other meetings.
- e. **Mr. Mitchell's motion to give the chair authority to submit a draft, proclamation, prepared by Outreach Committee, and a send to the Mayor passed without objection.**

8. Information Items

Chair Keiser is looking for volunteers to chair JCOS May 3 meeting and May 17 work session, as she will be unavailable.

JCOS Solid Waste Committee has established a regular work session on the 4th Tuesdays at 12 noon.

April 6, 3-5pm: Assembly PWFC is hosting a subcommittee public meeting on trash.

9. Committee/Liaison Comments and Questions

10. Next Meetings

- April 19, 2023 work session at noon (ZOOM)

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:16 pm.

Submitted by David Teal, Secretary