



SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

March 12, 2025 at 12:30 PM

Council Chambers at City Hall - 1123 W. Lake St. Sandpoint, Idaho

Call to Order

Chair Wayne Benner called the special meeting of the Sandpoint Sustainability Committee to order at 12:35pm on Wednesday, March 12, 2025, in Council Chambers at City Hall, 1123 W. Lake St., Sandpoint, Idaho.

Roll Call

PRESENT

Wayne Benner, Chair
Christine Moon
Deborah Dickerson
Diana Duke

ABSENT

Katrina Pielli, Vice Chair
Mary Wilkosz

Also present were staff liaison Katie Keeney and board clerk Samantha Branscome.

Meeting Minutes Approval

1. The minutes from the February 25, 2025, meeting were approved as presented.

Motion made by Duke, Seconded by Dickerson.

Voting Yea: Benner, Moon, Dickerson, Duke

Old/Unfinished Business

2. Review and Recommend Updated Sustainability Definition for the Comprehensive Plan

The Committee reviewed the definition of "sustainability" as found in Appendix B of the Sandpoint 2024 Comprehensive Plan. After a discussion, a motion was made to amend the definition and recommend to City Council.

Motion: Recommend to City Council to consider the changes to the definition of "sustainability" in the Comprehensive Plan as amended by this committee, as follows: "A continuing process of social and economic development that meets the needs of the present generation without compromising the needs and aspirations of future generations based on principles that assure good stewardship of resources and responsible outcomes relative to the community and the built and natural environments."

Motion made by Dickerson, Seconded by Duke.

Voting Yea: Benner, Moon, Dickerson, Duke

Motion passed.

3. Discuss Comprehensive Plan Chapters and their Relation to Sustainability

The Committee discussed their strategy for identifying priorities as they walk through the City's Comprehensive Plan. Ms. Moon suggested keeping a long-term goal of potentially creating a Sustainability Plan for the City in mind as the Committee continues to discuss their priorities.

Following this discussion, the Committee read through the items on the Comprehensive Plan matrix, created by Ms. Pielli, and eliminated items that are not top priorities at this time. The Committee discussed the possibility of creating a subcommittee to work on this project.

New Business - none

Roundtable

Ms. Moon provided a brief introduction to Meredith Todd, Sustainability Planner at the City of McCall, who the Committee will hear from at their next regularly scheduled meeting. Chair Benner and staff liaison Katie Keeney noted a local high school student expressed interest in working with the city on a school project, which the Committee plans to discuss at their next meeting.

Adjourn

With no further business on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 1:59pm.

I presided over this meeting and can confirm that these minutes, prepared by the board clerk, were approved by the Committee during their meeting on _____ 2025.

Wayne Benner, Board Chair

Attest: Samantha Branscome, Board Clerk