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Board Meeting Minutes: Wednesday, April 8, 2015, 8:30 am to 12:40 pm

Colorado Mountain College Rifle Campus, 3695 Airport Road, Rifle

Board members present

Town of Parachute: GCE Chair Stuart McArthur and Judith Hayward
Town of Carbondale: GCE Vice Chair Allyn Harvey
CMC: GCE Secretary Rachel Pokrandt
Garfield County: GCE Treasurer Tom Jankovsky
City of Glenwood Springs: Leo McKinney and David Sturges
Town of New Castle: Bob Gordon
Town of Silt: Rick Aluise
City of Rifle: Barb Clifton and Keith Lambert
Library District: Jerry Morris
RFTA: Jason White

Others attending

CLEER: Alice Laird, Heather McGregor
Facilitator: Debbie Wilde
CMC: Tanya Doose

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 13, 2015, Garfield County Building, Glenwood Springs

Roll call: Stuart McArthur called the roll.

Board member and public comment

Heather McGregor informed the board that Mike Ogburn has left the CLEER staff and is working for a company that will help owners of large commercial buildings across the U.S. and Canada reduce their energy consumption. Mike will continue to live in the area and be available for consulting on a limited basis.

Consent Agenda

Approval of March 11, 2015, minutes: *Allyn Harvey moved to approve the minutes, and Leo McKinney seconded. The motion passed unanimously.*

Financials

Tom Jankovsky reported that he had reviewed the financial reports for March 2015, and they were in order. Tom moved to approve the financials and the accounts payable. He then noted that each month he reviews the bills from UMS, Janet Obeji and CLEER, and that CLEER's invoices are broken out by commercial, residential and other work. The following

month, he views the bank statement and compares it to the financial report, and fills out a banking checklist to make sure that each bill is paid.

Tom Jankovsky moved to approve the March financial report, Leo McKinney seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Tom then moved to approve the March accounts payable, Bob Gordon seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Allyn Harvey asked for an explanation of how the checks are signed. Heather McGregor explained that board officer signatures are on file with the bank, and these are used on the checks.

Heather asked the board to also approve payment of an invoice from Debra L. Wilde Consulting for \$500 for the facilitation of the Strategic Planning Retreat.

Allyn Harvey moved to approve the Debra Wilde invoice, Rick Aluise seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Action items

Resolution No. 3 Recognizing David Sturges

Heather McGregor presented a resolution to the board recognizing David Sturges for his six years of dedicated service to Garfield Clean Energy. Stuart McArthur read the resolution aloud. Leo McKinney noted that David has been a great person to have in this effort, and we have all benefitted from his participation.

Leo McKinney moved to approve Resolution No. 3, Tom Jankovsky seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

A special version of the resolution printed on parchment paper was circulated for everyone's signature. David arrived at the meeting after this action took place. Later in the meeting, Leo McKinney presented the signed resolution to David.

CORE Randy Udall Energy Pioneer Grant

Alice Laird followed up on a memo in the packet about the possibility of GCE applying to the Randy Udall Energy Pioneer Grant to extend the Home Energy Program for income-qualified households in 2016, since demand has been so high this year and requests for assistance have already exceeded what is currently available.

Alice sought board guidance on whether GCE should move forward to submit a proposal, and asked if a GCE board member would be a point person for CLEER to confer with on some of the details of the proposal. She noted that one challenge is that the grant funds are currently limited to within the Roaring Fork Valley. Tom Jankovsky said when he and Allyn Harvey met with George Newman, a CORE board member and Pitkin County commissioner, George expressed a desire for GCE and CORE to collaborate. This grant would be an opportunity to do that.

Allyn asked how much GCE could ask for. Bob Gordon asked if match funds would be needed. Jason White said RFTA has also applied for a grant through this program, and said

an entity can apply for up to 50% of project costs. Alice said the match is something that would need to be worked out. Jason offered to help clarify some of the requirements.

Allyn noted that the grant applications go before the Pitkin County commissioners, and suggested that he and Tom meet again with George Newman. Tom suggested that Allyn give George a call; Allyn said he would follow up. Tom also said the Home Energy Program is valuable. He offered to be the board's point person on the application. Stuart McArthur confirmed that there was consensus on the board to move forward with the application, and directed staff to work to submit a proposal.

Program updates

1st Quarter report

Heather McGregor noted that the 1st Quarter report was included in the board packet, and highlighted the results. She noted that it will be difficult to tally results for residential upgrades because GCE has no additional rebates to offer. She said energy coaches are very busy making home visits for the Home Energy Program, with 36 households qualified. On the commercial side, coaches did five walk-throughs, and all five are moving forward with projects. She updated the board on efforts to re-establish CNG fueling in Rifle, and noted that nine articles were published in local media.

Clean Energy Communities Conference

This item was skipped over in the interest of time.

State CoPACE financing district briefing

Alice Laird informed the board that the Colorado Energy Office is rolling out a PACE financing program for commercial properties. Each board of county commissioners will have to opt in in order for businesses in that county to take advantage of the program. Alice asked the board if the program could be presented in full at the May meeting.

Staff will prepare a draft resolution in support of Garfield County opting into the CoPACE for GCE board consideration at the next meeting. The resolution would be forwarded to the Garfield County commissioners. Board members agreed to including the topic on the May agenda.

Strategic Planning Retreat

Facilitator Debbie Wilde led a strategic planning discussion for board members. The ideas from this session will be used to create a draft 2016 Strategic Plan for board review in May. The retreat ended with a luncheon served by CMC Culinary Arts students.

Adjournment

Leo McKinney moved to adjourn the meeting, Allyn Harvey seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

GARFIELD CLEAN ENERGY COLLABORATIVE

By: _____
Stuart McArthur, Chairperson

ATTEST: _____
Rachel Pokrandt, Secretary

These minutes were reviewed and approved by a vote of the Garfield Clean Energy Board of Directors at its meeting held on May 13, 2015.