

Community Renewable Energy Agency Board Meeting Minutes

The Community Renewable Energy Agency Board met in a regular public meeting on **Monday, April 4, 2022**, at Millcreek City Hall, located at 3330 S. 1300 E., Millcreek, UT 84106 and participated electronically via GoToMeeting.

PRESENT:

Board Members

In person

Dan Dugan, Chair, *Salt Lake City*

Drew Quinn, *Holladay City*

Emily Quinton, *Summit County*

Christopher Thomas, *Salt Lake City*

Jeff Silvestrini, *Millcreek*

Electronic

Angela Choberka, Vice Chair, *Ogden*

Roger Burke, *Alta*

Ann Granato, *Salt Lake County*

Randy Aton, *Springdale*

Pamela Gibson, *Castle Valley*

Sarah Stock, *Grand County*

Jeremy Rubell, *Park City*

Patrick Schaeffer, *Kearns Metro Township*

Cheri Jackson, *Millcreek*

Michael Shea, *Salt Lake County*

Chris Cawley, *Alta*

Luke Cartin, *Park City*

John Guenther, *Grand County*

Samantha DeSeelhorst, *Cottonwood Heights*

In Person Attendees: Kurt Hansen, *Millcreek*; Alex Wendt, *Millcreek*

Electronic Attendees: Monica O'Malley, *Salt Lake City Staff*; Janene Eller-Smith, *Ogden*; Ross Watkins, *Ogden*; Jeremy Shinoda, Eliza Cowie, Gary Dodge

Minutes by Alex Wendt, Millcreek Deputy Recorder.

REGULAR MEETING – 1:00 p.m.

TIME COMMENCED: 1:03 p.m.

1. Welcome, Introduction, and Preliminary Matters

1.1 Purpose and Overview of Meeting

1.2 Identification and Update on Community Participation in Community

Renewable Energy Agency (Welcoming Any New Members) and Review List of Remaining List of Remaining Eligible Communities

Alta, Castle Valley, Cottonwood Heights, Francis, Grand County, Holladay, Kearns,

Millcreek, Moab, Ogden, Park City, Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County, Springdale, Summit County. One additional city has not officially sent in their paperwork, but Oakley will be joining.

1.3 Current Participation Percentages Include in Board Packet.

No updates currently.

2. Business Matters

2.1 Approval of March 7, 2022, Meeting Minutes

Board Member Choberka moved to approve the March 7, 2022, meeting minutes. Board Member Silvestrini seconded. Chair Dugan called for the vote. All Board Members voted yes. The motion passed unanimously.

2.2 Treasurer Report (Year-to-Date Contributions and Expenses)

Board Member Silvestrini said the only expenditures have been to pay legal fees. The Board is in process to send out the invoices for next fiscal year's payment. These will be issued shortly.

2.3 Reports From Committees (Program Design, Low-Income Plan, Communications)

Board Member Cawley from the Communication Committee gave their report. The first newsletter went out March 15, 2022. The newsletter is intended for informed and interested readers but is available to the public. Board Members have met with the Intermountain Sustainability Summit on March 17th, the West Valley City Council on February 15th, Emigration Canyon Metro Township on March 22nd, and are scheduled to meet with West Jordan City on April 13th. The Communication Committee is working on content to distribute on social media.

Board Member DeSeelhorst gave the update from the Low-Income Plan Committee. A meeting took place on March 14th. They discussed a work plan draft and will be adding an additional meeting in April and May. The Low-Income Plan Committee discussed existing low-income programs and discussed the utility data request from PacifiCorp regarding low-income customer participation. The next meeting will be on April 11th and then on April 25th. The Low-Income Committee plans to meet with the Office of Consumer Services to discuss logistics of low-income engagement options, meet with community partners to discuss implementation strategies, prepare a menu of engagement options, and distribute energy burden and low-income household estimate maps,

Board Member Thomas gave the update from the Program Design Committee. The committee met four times in March. They held their fourth meeting with Rocky Mountain power to discuss timing around drafting the Utility Agreement. The Program Design Committee received and processed their fourth invoice to the outside counsel. They drafted comments to be considered by the board under item 2.4. The Program Design Committee drafted template slides for council-commission updates. Furthermore, the Program Design Committee invited a representative from Rocky Mountain Power on rate design for the May 2nd Board Meeting. They have not scheduled an open Program Design Committee meeting but have one tentatively planned

for April 25th. They will be holding their fifth and sixth meetings with Rocky Mountain Power on April 6th and 20th. The Program Design Committee would like to schedule an open meeting where they invite RMP.

Mr. Thomas gave an update on a slide deck that anyone on the Board can use and staff from any community on the Community Renewable Energy Agency. This slide deck can be customized by any community to give updates to their respective groups regarding the Community Renewable Energy Board. The slides give a summary of the Program and the goals. If a community adopts the ordinance that approves the Program, they get a seat at the table regarding how renewable energy is created in Utah. Mr. Thomas explained that a community can create an update to show the timeline of how their specific community got involved and who the community appointed to the Board. Mr. Thomas described a slide that shows the current cities and counties that are part of the Board. He met with the West Jordan Council and will be meeting with the Emigration Canyon Township Board. Mr. Thomas describes the Board structure and how the committee's work in the next slide. Mr. Thomas said the Program Design Committee strongly want all the local councils and municipalities to be informed. The whole process is moving towards the vote for the governing bodies. After this there will be a new item on people's electric bills and the Board will move towards obtaining more renewable energy. Slides 12, 13, and 14, talk about program scale and policy considerations currently the Board is working on program scale and policy considerations now. Program scale and policy considerations will go into the application to the Public Service Commission. The review from the Public Service Commission can take 6-8 months. Board Member Stock asked about Program Design in general and explained how she was not aware the Program Design Committee had discussed purchasing renewable energy certificate (REC) through Rocky Mountain Power. Board Member Stock said the Board should discuss the purchase of REC'S. Mr. Thomas explained how there are unbundled, which has been separated from the underlying energy, and bundled REC's. A REC is a renewable energy certificate, this documents renewable energy generation. The Program Design Committee were not planning on buying REC's from anywhere. They would only buy bundled RECS from the Rocky Mountain Power system to document the share of the renewable energy system going into the system that is attributable to the Program. Board Member Stock said that alleviates some of her concerns but there are other downsides to buying the RECs should the Board go that route. Board Member Cartin explained the Utah share of RECs on the grid are often reserved and then sold to Oregon and Washington. Utah does not have a renewable goal portfolio. RMP will pass RECs to Oregon and Washington and then the other customers will pay the Utah customers a nominal amount. It is legal for RMP to sell the RECs and then credit Utah customers back. Most RECs are owned by the facility, not the company if it is from rooftop solar. They way RMP counts REC's is confusing. Mr. Thomas said that there is renewable energy already being paid for in the electric bills and the Board could get credit for resources that are already paid for and then add onto it with more renewable resources. Chair Dugan explained that if someone has rooftop solar and they are part of the Renewable Energy Program the Board needs to discuss with RMP how this will work. Board Member Stock said she does not want to lose out on the chance to develop far more renewable energy for Utah. Board Member Quinton said that one option contemplated in the past to make a recording of how to make the net 100% renewable energy could be met, based on presentations from Mr.

Thomas. Mr. Thomas said he would work on this. Board Member Cawley asked Mr. Thomas if it is possible to receive the power point from this presentation. Mr. Thomas said he would send it. Board Member Cawley asked if the Board was seeking formal input from Councils. Mr. Thomas said this is about staying informed because just coming to a city council meeting when there is a vote is less effective.

2.4 Closed Session if Needed: The Board May Convene in a Closed Session to discuss items as provided by Utah Code Ann. 52-4-205

Chair Dugan asked for a motion to enter closed session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation. **Board Member Silvestrini made the motion pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205 to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing reasonably imminent litigation. Council Member Quinn Second. Chair Dugan called for the vote.**

Roger Bourke – Alta - Yes

Pamela Gibson – Castle Valley - Yes

Samantha DeSeelhorst – Cottonwood Heights - Yes

Sarah Stock – Grand County - Yes

Drew Quinn – Holladay City - Yes

Partick Schaffer – Kearns - Yes

Jeff Silvestrini – Millcreek - Yes

Angela Choberka – Ogden - Yes

Jeremy Rubell - Park City – Yes

Ann Granato – Salt Lake County – Yes

Randy Aton – Springdale - Yes

Emily Quinton – Summit County – Yes

Dan Dugan – Salt Lake City Yes

The motion passed unanimously. The Board went into closed session at 1:53 pm.

2.5 Discussion and consideration of Resolution 22-03; Authorizing the Agency to Submit Comments to the Public Service Commission in Response to PacifiCorp's 2021 Integrated Resource Plan.

The Community Energy Board came back into open meeting at 2:30 pm

Board Member Silvestrini made the motion to approve Resolution 22-03

Authorizing the Agency to Submit Comments to the Public Service

Commission. Board Member Schaeffer seconded the motion. Board Member

Silvestrini asked that groups like O2 Utah and the Sierra Club to coordinate with the Community Energy Board the comments they file so all groups understand each other's positions to prevent the groups from working at cross purposes. If the groups are talking to each other, it would avoid pitfalls. **Chair Dugan called for the vote.**

All Board Members voted yes. The motion passed unanimously.

2.6 Board Member Comments

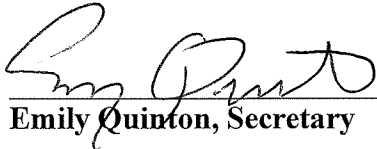
Secretary Quinton asked that if a community has new contact information to email Millcreek because Millcreek needs updated information for payments and Secretary

Quinton, otherwise invoices will go to the old contact. Chair Dugan thanked everyone on the Board for their engagement today and their questions.

3. Adjournment

Board Member Silvestrini moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:34 p.m. Board Member DeSeelhorst seconded. Chair Dugan called for the vote. All Board Members voted yes. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVED:  _____ Date
Dan Dugan, Chair

ATTEST:  _____
Emily Quinton, Secretary

