



# Ridgway Sustainability Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

## Wednesday October 4, 2023

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### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m., Ridgway Sustainability Advisory Board (SAB) members present were Vicki Hawse, Dana Ivers, Joyce Huang, Dave Jones, and JT Thomas. Town Council member Terry Schuyler and Staff Representative Deb Overton were also present. Ken Mihelich was absent.

### 2. Prioritize projects and goals to present to Town Council for the 2024 work plan.

The Board agreed that achieving Net Zero in a timely manner is a priority for the Ridgway 2024 work plan. They also noted the importance of developing a road map to achieve this goal.

Angela Hawse made a motion recommending that Town Council formally adopt a Resolution to take an aggressive approach to achieve Net Zero carbon reduction. In addition, the Board recommends that the Resolution include creating and implementing a Net Zero “road map” that is consistent with the objectives outlined in the Town’s Master Plan, Strategic Plan, and the Climate Action Plan. Dave Jones seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously by members present.

JT Thomas volunteered to prepare a letter to Council with the recommendation.

### 3. Discussion re: Officially supporting a micro grid at the Athletic Park.

The Board reviewed the three current proposed plans for the Athletic Park Master Plan and noted the concerns from the community about having a microgrid in the park. The Board agreed that they would like Council to consider a fourth option that would have the microgrid run east to west along the south side of the Athletic Park, that would be a smaller, less obtrusive portion of the microgrids previously proposed to Council. They also are requesting that another public meeting be planned to discuss the merits of a microgrid.

JT Thomas volunteered to present a letter to Council with the recommendation.

### 4. Discussion re: RSAB terms of office.

This item was moved to the next SAB meeting in November.

### 5. Discussion re: Youth Advisory Board’s participation in RSAB meetings and events.

This item was moved to the next SAB meeting in November.

### 6. Approval of minutes from September 4, 2023 regular meeting.

Dave Jones made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the Sept 4, 2023 meeting. Dana Ivers seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously by members present.

### 7. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned. The time was 7:17 p.m.