

Lander County Sustainable Development  
May 27, 2009 Minutes

Present: Jon Sherve, Jerry Smith, Rod Davis, Charlene Mitchel, Ben Veach, Joy Sweeney, Katie Neddenriep, and Del Fortner by telephone.

1. Minutes of the April 15 meeting were approved as e-mailed.
2. Status of FIND Project
  - a. Ben Veach reported Summit Engineering has suspended work on the GIS map, it is 95% complete. They are awaiting mine information to complete the project. He presented the GIS map to Lander Co. Economic Development Authority at their last meeting to keep them up to date.
  - b. Jerry Smith presented an overview of the FIND project and where the FIND project is now at the Humboldt-Pershing Sustainable Development Conference April 30. The Conference and Jerry's presentation was well covered in the Winnemucca newspaper.
  - c. George Fennemore and Ben Veach will present the FIND project to NNP-E and hope to do a presentation for the BLM, Carson City office. Mineral County is interested in renewable energy and a FIND like project would be a useful tool for future inquiries of infrastructure location etc. in their area.
  - d. There was some discussion on where the FIND will be stored electronically once it is complete. Data will need to be maintained and updated regularly to be effective. Jerry will check to see what the assistance agreement states about where the project will be housed. It was suggested the file be stored as READ only. There should be links from other agencies and groups to the project. A decision will be made at a future meeting about housing the information.
  - e. Our part of the FIND Project will consist of a complete inventory of the mines within the economic sphere of Battle Mtn and Lander County. Once our area is completely inventoried, we will hand off to Humboldt-Pershing and Elko County groups to continue the project for their receptive areas. They will be responsible for applying for funding to complete the work as desired.
3. Community survey: Rod reported that Lander County is printing mailing labels for \$.03 each that will be used to mail the survey. Rod will mail the surveys to 50% of the voters, by precinct, who voted in the last general election. Rod will contact Kim Nelson to have a reminder to fill out the surveys on the marquee at the Civic Center. Joy Sweeney will post reminders on bulletin boards around town.

Rod reported that he attended a Conference in San Diego and presented an overview of the FIND project in a seminar with 25 – 30 in attendance.
4. FIND Project out-Year budget development. Jerry has asked for an extension to the end of 2009 since the FIND project, phase 1 will not be completed by the original June 30, 2009 date. Shar, George and Jon met and worked up a budget.

Budget questions asked at this meeting could not be answered in absence of George and Shar. It was agreed we need a detailed, actual expense budget along with the projected expenditures that George has worked up. Katie N. volunteered to do a detailed breakdown and will have it for our next meeting.

5. Dr. Maureen Kilkenny, UNR, Department of Resource Economics was introduced by Rod Davis. She informed the committee of resources available from UNR Resource Economic Department relative to public and private funding for Sustainable Development interest.
6. Other Business, none
7. Schedule next meetings. The next meetings will be held **July 7** and August 19, 2009 at the BLM, 7:00 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene Mitchel. Secretary