

**Minutes for Climate Action Planning Subcommittee (CAPS) Meeting
January 27, 2022 8 AM**

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Present: Sue Klem, Roy Harvey, Emily Haslett, Staci Montori, Lynne Smith

Also Present: Select Board liaison, Jennifer Glass; Jen Curtin, Michael Moodie

Voted: Minutes approved for January 6, 2022. Motion made by Sue Klem, seconded by Harvey. Klem-aye, Harvey-aye, Haslett-aye, Montori-abstain, Smith-aye.

Welcome: Klem announced that Audrey Kalmus is going off the committee. Sue thanked Audrey for her passion for sustainability, her knowledge of the grant process, and her ability to work with the Town. Sue thanked Jen Curtin for skillfully preparing the Expression of Interest.

Discussion of Expression of Interest (EOI) and Messaging:

- Curtin described the source of the language in the EOI as coming from the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) Action Grant. Town can start with **core principles** described by MVP and drill down on the ones most important for Lincoln.
- Glass reminded us that for the Select Board "everything is connected": sustainability, the work of the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, & Anti-Racism (IDEA) Committee, housing.
- Curtin said to prepare for the consultant's work we can brainstorm the core principles with the Green Energy Committee (GEC) and CAPS. We might prioritize the items: e.g., Net Zero is the big one. Curtin will prepare an outline of the core principles; Klem will work with her on it
- Curtin will re-do the messaging draft with broad strokes to make it compatible with EOI language. She worked with Julie Curti on the EOI and will bring in M. Grzenda, Lincoln Conservation Director, when writing the full grant.

Discussion of Messaging Outreach and Name of Committee:

- **Email:** We discussed creation of a single email for the subcommittee. Harvey suggested not using gmail.com email domain for privacy. Curtin will explore one ending in xx@LincolnTown.org. She volunteered to be the recipient of these emails.
- **Feb. 5:** *Curtin and Smith will draft flyer for Winter Carnival by Feb 1; ask people to sign up with their email. Begin to build an email data base.*
- **Name of group:** Klem said that despite our discussion at the last meeting, Climate Action Planning Subcommittee (CAPS) isn't working for her in meetings. Not appropriate in most situations to say 'subcommittee'. Also, she wants us to call our committee "in public" by a meaningful name, in other words no one outside our committee knows to what CAPS refers. We discussed 2 new versions: Lincoln Climate Action and Climate Action Lincoln. We also discussed using Climate Planning Lincoln. Curtin and Smith will mock up the Feb 5 flyer with both names and ask Curtin's co-workers and CAPS to vote on best. Curtin says we may need to go to GEC if there is a name change. Klem will pass this by GEC, too, to avoid conflicting in any way.

Interim Climate Targets Worksheet:

Harvey shared a worksheet with data on Lincoln's Climate Targets for 2030 and 2050. This important information needs to be populated with help from lots of people: GEC data group and others. In fact, it would be good to share it with GEC and get a group together to focus on it. Haslett described work on Healthy Soils that could contribute carbon storage data. Rachel Neurath is working with Mothers Out Front to get this data for Lincoln. Haslett also reminded us of the need to emphasize reduced consumption. Montori asked to add gas leaks. Klem mentioned that John Snell had suggested to keep the utilities apprised of Lincoln's increasing electrical needs from more EVs, air source heat pumps, appliances, etc.

Haslett recommended a Feb 15 screening of "Kiss the Ground" sponsored by MOF, Lincoln Land Trust, etc.

Next meeting will be in 2 to 3 weeks. Klem to schedule.

Vote to Adjourn: Motion made by Klem at 9:41 AM. Klem-aye, Harvey-aye, Haslett-aye, Montori-aye, Smith-aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:41 AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lynne Smith