

**Minutes for Climate Action Lincoln Meeting**  
**March 9, 2022 8 AM**  
**Via Zoom: Meeting ID: 926 6633 2361; Passcode: 430773**

Pursuant to Gov. Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, as further extended on June 15, 2021 by the Governor's signing of Senate Bill #2475, this meeting of the Climate Action Planning Subcommittee is being conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible

Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and or requirement to attend this meeting can be found on the Town of Lincoln website, at [www.lincolntown.org](http://www.lincolntown.org).

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

**Also Present:** Select Board liaison, Jennifer Glass; Assistant Town Planner, Jen Curtin; Rachel Neurath; Herman Karl; Colette Sizer(joined at about 9:10 am)

**Minutes:** Minutes approved for February 17, 2022. Motion made by Sue Klem, seconded by Staci Montori. Klem-aye, Harvey-aye, Haslett-aye, Montori-aye, Smith-aye.

**Klem** welcomed Herman Karl and Rachel Neurath to the meeting. They are interested in our climate action planning process and goals. Sue then asked for a short discussion of the name of the group. Haslett and Harvey think we need the word "Plan" or "Planning" in the name. No decision made but we will see how Climate Action Lincoln works going forward

**Update on Grants: Jen Curtin** updated us on the timeline for the grant applications. Request for Responses (RFR) is due next week and the Grant in 8 weeks. She will respond to RFR with points of interest to the committee: Net Zero and Resilience are half and half of the plan. We want to utilize what the Town has already done: Much planning has been done for stormwater mitigation; Healthy Soils should be included for carbon storage values. MVP has \$20 million in funding with \$100K maximum grant. Last year, the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness program funded 66 out of 92 applicants. Jen will ask committee members for help picking out **Action Priorities** for the grant. **Letters of Support** from Town organizations should be added to the grant. Curtin will send examples of how to include them. Rachel and Sue offered to help Jen with outreach around [ClimateAction@lincolntown.org](mailto:ClimateAction@lincolntown.org).

**Klem** noted that the Acton Climate Action Plan focused on Net Zero, not just resilience, and they received an MVP grant.

**Herman Karl** pointed out that his focus is adaptation and resilience and on community building. Since 50 percent of the Plan will be on adaptation/resilience, his help will be needed. Klem will connect him with Michele Grzenda. Haslett thinks he can help with Healthy Soils and land use issues.

### **Town Meeting, March 26:**

Klem noted that the Green Energy Committee is involved in:

- Town Budget, if Curtin's \$5K stipend is held out, Sue will speak up for it.
- Klem will have 2 minutes to discuss Climate Action Planning at the beginning of Warrant Article 9 discussion.
- Warrant Article 9: Municipal buildings will opt up to 100% Green at a cost of \$50K so Town is asked to vote on it.
- Warrant Article 31 Citizens' Petition: Gas Hookup ban presented by Paul Shorb.

### **Discussion of Town Forum**

- Curtin and Glass noted that demonstrating that we asked the town for input on a Plan would be a helpful addition to the grant application.
- Smith suggested that Klem could announce at Town Meeting dates for a Forum (in person and Zoom).
- Smith will draft a handout for TM that would announce the Forum and give an overview of the plan and the process for getting town input.
- Haslett suggested holding the forum on or around Earth Day.
- Committee members will need to review and comment on the draft prior to TM.

### **Spreadsheet of Plan Targets: Roy Harvey**

Harvey shared the spreadsheet he developed. It includes many details of energy reduction categories, goals, timelines, information sources, and accountable people. Smith offered to meet with him to make the spreadsheet more accessible for sharing with the Town and including in the Grant application.

**Vote to Adjourn:** Motion made by Klem at 9:31AM, Harvey seconded, Roll call vote: Klem-aye, Harvey-aye, Haslett-aye, Montori-aye, Smith-aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 AM.

### **Submitted by Lynne Smith.**

Approved Minutes were sent to Dan Pereira on April 6, 2022 to be posted.

