

Minutes for the Net Zero Planning Committee Meeting on June 9, 2021 at 8 AM

Virtual Meeting Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law

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

Also Present: Select Jennifer Glass

Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Staci Montori made a motion to approve the ammended minutes of May 26, 2021. The motion was seconded by Lynne Smith and approved unanimously via roll call vote: Harvey, aye; Kalmus, aye; Klem, aye; Montori, aye; Smith, aye.

Sue Klem: Took Jennnifer Glass' suggestion of making up a spreadsheet of local town Climate Plans. Most neighboring towns have one, and a couple like Lincoln, just have a GHG inventories currently. Many towns have hired a Sustainability Staff manager and some, like Waltham are in the process. Jennifer Glass mentioned the utility of this spreadsheet to bring to other groups within town as we reach out regarding a town supported climate action plan.

Roy Harvey shared his very detailed and extensive climate action working document/brain storm: **Ideas for scope, actions, and stakeholders for Lincoln Net Zero action plan.** Several members gave feedback and additional ideas to add to this working document.

Jennifer Glass- Suggested that our group begin to reach out to other committees in town. How is your committee thinking about climate action? Get initial feed back and begin laying the groundwork to come back to town with a specific ask.

Audrey Kalmus will begin looking into grants, Roy Harvey pointed her to Carlisle's resources page 54 of Climate plan.

Sue Klem brought up importance of Lincoln hiring a Town Sustainability Manager to oversee and carry out a climate plan. She questioned the ability of success with only a volunteer core group. Others voiced concern about waiting for such a postion to be approved, created and filled & timing/importance to move forward given the urgency of climate emergency.

Emily Haslett mentioned the title of "Land Resources" could be more inclusive, such as All Nature Based Solutions.

The Committee continued the discussion of exact name of the group. Net Zero Planning vs.some sort of version of Climate Action Plan Committee. Several in the group leaned toward going broader, preferring something like Climate Action Plan Committee- given its inclusivity vs. limited focus on built environment and transportation that Net Zero implies.

Lynne Smith brought up the need a very detailed timeline with specific goals attached to get organized and focused. The importance of assigning the subjects should be addressed at next meeting. Staci Montori feels that the summer will be a good time to begin breaking into working groups of specific interest, such as Zero Waste, to help define goals, identify the key people involved and begin identifying goals and timeline, even if the entire group does not meet due to summer vacation plans.

Motion to adjourn by Roy Harvey, seconded by Emily Haslett and approved unanimously via roll call vote: Klem, aye, Montori, aye; Smith, aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:34

Minutes are respectfully submitted by Staci Montori.