

## **Minutes for Climate Action Planning Committee Meeting on September 15th, 2021 8AM**

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 member 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, Roy Harvey, Emily Haslett, Audrey Kalmus, Staci Montori, Lynne Smith

**Also Present:** Select board liaison, Jennifer Glass

**Absent:** C.J. Volpone

**Minutes of Previous Meetings:** Sue Klem made a motion to approve the amended minutes of September 8, 2021. The motion was seconded by Jennifer Glass, and approved via roll call vote: Klem, aye; Harvey, aye; Haslett, aye; Kalmus, abstain; Montori, aye; Smith, aye.

**Committee Presentation** discussion held on how best to present to various town boards.

- **Audrey Kalmus-** Gave a quick plug for it to be as short as possible, given how most committees have a lot to cover. She mentioned her hope to bring something to a vote in 2022.
- **Lynne Smith-** Thinks the slide presentation is about 10-15 minutes and that the purpose of these meetings is to try to get consensus amongst various boards to fund or resource a Climate Action Plan.
- **Jennifer Glass** recommended the slide presentation be shorter, closer to 5 minutes, with back up slides for more detail.
- **Roy Harvey** suggested sending the slide presentation out in advance to committee.
- **Staci Montori-** Brought up the need for a Sustainability Manager for the town and questioned if the powerpoint slides addressed this 'ask' adequately.
- **Audrey Kalmus-** Suggested presenting with "this is how other towns are handling it, how we aren't and how we need to move forward." She mentioned that having a Sustainability Manager and Climate Action Plan will help "add a new [climate] lens" to all committees.
- **Emily Haslett-** Asked how to go about getting funding for a Sustainable Manager.
- **Jennifer Glass-** A warrant needs to be written and done by January 2022 for Town Meeting.
- **Audrey Kalmus-** Suggested we find out history of adding FTE staff to town.
- **Roy Harvey-** Offered to make one slide tailored to each board.
- **Audrey Kalmus-** Suggested these end slides need to be "the pitch."

- **Jennifer Glass**- Mentioned these could initiate this idea of funding a Climate Action Plan and Sustainability Manager, and “we will be coming to you again in hopes for your support.”
- **Sue Klem** brought up the importance for this committee to keep Equity and Diversity in the forefront.
- **Emily Haslett**- Suggested to Sue that she start her presentation with “Why we are doing this” and this could be a be a more effective way to reach people. Offered to ‘practice/listen” before next presentation.
- **Audrey Kalmus** will create a Doodle Poll with dates and times of presentations so it is clear who will be at what meeting.
- **Roy Harvey**- Suggested we ask the boards to consider ‘cost of carbon’ in their budgeting plans.

**The remainder of the meeting** was spent editing the power point slides.

*Jennifer Glass left the meeting at 9:02 AM.*

*Lynne Smith left the meeting at 9:30 AM.*

**Vote to adjourn by role call at 9:31AM** by Sue Klem, Staci Montori seconded, Klem, aye; Harvey, aye; Haslett, aye; Kalmus, aye; Montori, aye. Meeting adjourned.

Tentative next meeting set for Wednesday September 22nd at 8:00 AM. Sue Klem will follow up with details via email.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Staci Montori.