



TOWN OF MOUNT DESERT SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE Agenda

Thursday, August 19, 2021

4:30PM via Zoom or in person Town Meeting Hall / must social distance in the meeting hall / masks must be worn if you're not vaccinated

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Agenda:

1. Approve Minutes July15, 2021 Meeting.
2. Report from Chair from the New Public Safety Building Design Group. August 3rd meeting
3. Welcome Lawson Wulsin ACT to work on Climate Action Plan.

4. Reminder: BOS supported inviting the Department Heads to Sustainability Committee similar to the Warrant Committee format:
 - A. Public Works/Harbormaster September
 - B. Public Safety Police/Fire October
 - C. Administration November
 - D. Assessing/Code Enforcement December

5. Continue developing a Climate Action plan to include funding for consultants, energy audits and the possibilities of coordinating with other Island towns to share the costs. Johannah Blackman Google doc will be the working document.
6. Continue discussion on creating resource list for citizens and using A Climate to Thrive as the source with links from the town website. Basically, one place for all the towns to find helpful information, similar to Efficiency Maine:
 - Solar installation/Community Solar farm options /including a list of providers/contractors;
 - Heat Pumps
 - Home Energy audits
 - EV Chargers / EV Car buying options
 - Efficiency Maine

7. Update: Energy Audit research: RLC Engineers, Town has received information from Jose Donnell/RLC, discussing a proposal of just the Highway Garage to start, because all energy usage is easily available from highway Superintendent. BOS

supports moving



TOWN OF MOUNT DESERT SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Friday June 18, 2021

To: Board of Selectmen, Town of Mt Desert
Topic: Action Items

1. Meet individually with each Department Head within the next 45 days to develop a mutual understanding of practical plan to establish their departments present energy use and future energy plan.
2. Assuming acceptable, ask the Director of Public Works to engage an electrical engineering firm, RLC Engineering to determine the Town's baseline energy usage and outline potential beneficial changes. This effort ideally should start as soon as possible.
3. Allow the Sustainability Committee to accept assistance from A Climate to T to develop the Town's Climate Action Plan integrating the legacy Sustainability Committee's goals with the adopted Emergency Climate Action Plan.

The Sustainability Committee has been tasked with providing a climate action plan and an implementation budget to be presented for approval to the 2022 Town Meeting. reality only 7-8 months remain to complete this deliverable. The Committee is asking the BOS for specific support as listed to move the project forward.

8. www.terracycle.com encourage citizens to sign up

9. Charge Point Usage July/August 2021:

Month	Session	Income
July	70	\$452.05
August	37	\$129.90

Proposed Next Meeting Thursday, September 16th at 4:30

Goals for the Sustainability Committee:

1. How to Reduce or Modify Energy Consumption for Town of Mount Desert Infrastructures including the following Town owned Buildings:

Town office, MDES, Wastewater Treatment Plants, Highway Garage/Bus Garage, NEH Marina and Visitor Center, Fire Houses

- A. Lighting/Heating/Cooling
- B. Exterior Lighting / still drafting outdoor lighting standards ordinance
- C. EV Charging Stations
- D. Solar Power Purchase agreements / Solar farms
- E. Input on designs for new buildings or upgrades
- F. Energy Audits

2. Town owned Vehicles:

A. How to reduce Energy usage and purchase EV or Hybrid including the following:

Dump Trucks/Plow vehicles, Garbage Trucks, School Buses, Police Cruisers, Small Pick-up Trucks used by the Marina, Code Enforcement/Accessing

3. Planning Board:

A. Create Sustainability/Green Building standards for new construction or renovations

B. Outdoor Lighting Ordinance article was pulled from this year's Warrant due several issues.

4. Solid Waste

A. How to Reduce tonnage to Fiberight

B. Encourage use of composting

C. Encourage restaurants to create less packaging for to-go foods & drinks

5. Work with other area Municipalities to share resources and possibly a shared Sustainability Coordinator