



TOWN OF MOUNT DESERT SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE Agenda

Thursday, July 15, 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

Zoom Link to Meeting:

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Agenda:

1. Approve Minutes June 17, 2021 Meeting.
2. Report from Chair from the Sustainability Committee letter to the BOS, July 6, 2021 BOS meeting discussions
3. Report from Chair Public Safety Building renovation/addition Design Group June 29th meeting

4. 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. Discuss 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; July 12th Ampion contacted the Town office regarding proposal for buying into Solar Farm for various Town buildings.
 - Heat Pumps
 - Home Energy audits
 - EV Chargers / EV Car buying options
 - Efficiency Maine

7. 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 forward this first audit 7/6/2021 meeting

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

9. Charge Point Usage for June/July 2021:

Month	Session	Income
June	50	\$215.07

July 35 \$265.88

Proposed Next Meeting Thursday, August 19th 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