



TOWN OF MOUNT DESERT SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE Agenda

Thursday, November 16, 2023

4:30PM via Zoom or in person Town Meeting Hall

Zoom Link to Meeting:

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Agenda:

1. Approve Minutes October 19, 2023 Meeting.
2. Confirm Meeting Schedule for 2024/ 1st Wednesday of the month at 3:30
3. Code of Ethics and Conduct paperwork/Please return paperwork to the Town office.

4. Confirm Combining Climate Task Force & The Sustainability Committee to single Committee to discuss & implement goals of the Climate Action Plan
5. Presentation from A Climate to Thrive / Johannah Blackman
Green House Gas Inventory, Community Resilience Partnership Grants
6. Dates to add to calendar:

November 20, 2023 Virtual Event 6-7 pm

To learn more about sea level rise impacts that we'll be diving into during this workshop, please also consider attending GMRI's presentation, "Coastal Climate Impacts: Mount Desert Island and Cranberry Islands", a virtual event on November 20th from 6-7:30 pm. This presentation and discussion will build knowledge and awareness of coastal climate impacts in our region. This is free and open to the general public, and you can register at ACTT's website.

November 29, 2023 "Planning Forward" a climate and community planning workshop.

Neighborhood House 5:00 to 8:30 pm

In a collaboration between the Gulf of Maine Research Institute, the Island Institute, and A Climate to Thrive, we're gathering together members of five communities – **Tremont, Southwest Harbor, Mount Desert, Bar Harbor, and the Cranberry Isles** – for a workshop in which we will explore community values, engage in scenario-based climate planning, and discuss regional needs, questions, and resources.

This workshop is for residents looking to engage in or contribute to climate planning processes, community leaders across diverse sectors municipal leaders, and/or sustainability/climate action group members. Intergenerational, diverse perspectives will make this conversation fruitful. By attending, you'll build relationships, learn about and practice tools to support community-driven, resilience-focused climate planning, and contribute your unique perspective to this process.

Whether you're an experienced champion for climate work or this is your first time venturing into this space, we would love to see you there. **Please RSVP by November 20th** to brianna@aclimatetothrive.org, or reach out with any questions. If you know of a colleague, neighbor, or another community member who you think has a valuable perspective to add, please feel free to pass this along to them.

Resilience Resource Workshop on December 12th at the Neighborhood House from 10-2 pm. Through a collaboration between the Gulf of Maine Research Institute, the Island Institute, and A Climate to Thrive, we're gathering leaders from five communities – Tremont, Southwest Harbor, Mount Desert, Bar Harbor, and the Cranberry Isles – to learn from and connect with resilience professionals about the various resources available to support climate resilience planning needs and goals.

This workshop is designed for municipal and community leaders who are involved in planning decisions. Through attending, you'll build relationships, learn about and practice tools to support community-driven climate planning, and contribute your unique perspective to this process.

If you are interested in attending, but can only make part of the scheduled workshop, please let us know, as your attendance is the priority. If you know of a colleague or another community leader who you think has a valuable perspective to add, please feel free to pass this along to them. If you have any questions, or to RSVP (please do so by December 4th), reach out to brianna@aclimatetothrive.org.

7. Update Coastal Resources / Trash Management Plan
8. Update on Climate Task Force and new Community Resilience Grant cycle for the Town, working with Tremont sharing a position to fulfill goals of each Town's Climate action plan.
9. Continue to Discuss/Develop EV Charging user policy
10. Continue how the Sustainability Committee can be involved in Community outreach to help implement goals of the Climate Action Plan.

Proposed Next Meeting Thursday, December 21, 2023 at 4:30 PM at Town Meeting Room / via Zoom