



TOWN OF MOUNT DESERT SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE Agenda

Thursday, September 16, 2021

4:30PM via Zoom or in person Town Meeting Hall / must social distance in the meeting hall / masks must be worn

Zoom Link to Meeting:

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Agenda:

1. Approve Minutes August 19, 2021 Meeting.
2. Reminder Household Hazard and Universal Waste Collection day Saturday September 26th Tremont Town Office 10:00-12:00PM, Unfortunately, MDI high school was not available this year.
3. BOS has recommended to look into reinstating Recycling Program

4. Report from Chair from the New Public Safety Building Design Group. August 3rd meeting, Guy Marshall Revisions Energy, potential solar installation to provide energy for all Town building not just addition.
5. Follow up on Climate Action Plan, tabled until next BOS meeting Monday September 20, 2021 at 6:30PM
6. Discuss with Harbormaster John Lemoine regarding Sustainability steps for the harbors, building and lighting.
7. Discuss with Public Works director Tony Smith regarding Sustainability steps for building, roads, equipment and wastewater plants.
8. Reminder: BOS supported inviting the Department Heads to Sustainability Committee similar to the Warrant Committee format:
 - A. Public Safety Police/Fire October
 - B. Administration November
 - C. Assessing/Code Enforcement December
9. 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.
10. 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
11. 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



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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. In 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.

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

13. Charge Point Usage August / September 2021:

Month	Session	Income
August	77	\$351.92

September 17 \$66.32
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