

Green Marblehead Implementation Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 22, 2024

Present: John Livermore (virtual), Eileen Mathieu, Becky Curran Cutting, Lisa Wolf, Thatcher Kezer, Alexa Singer, Joseph Kowalik.

Meeting called to order 3:05pm

Minutes: Thatcher will present to the Committee to adopt at a future meeting.

Introduction of Sustainability Coordinator, Logan Casey:

- He will be part of a new department of Community Development and Planning
- He explained his background and goals.

Updates:

- Thatcher said that Recreation and Parks employees like the new battery powered mower and there are plans to purchase a second new one.
- Becky said that she has applied for a MAPC technical assistance grant to balance Historic Preservation and Green Energy needs of homes in the historic districts.
- Becky said that they had just heard from Town Counsel by email that on review of Marblehead's zoning bylaws, our current business and light manufacturing district would meet the requirements of Criterion 1 for being designated as a Green Community.
- Joe Kowalik said that MMLD will be hiring a Sustainability Manager soon.
- Joe Kowalik also pointed out that there were grants from DOER to electrify public housing units. He said that cities such as Ipswich and Shrewsbury received significant dollars to do this.
- Alexa and Thatcher discussed how difficult it is to electrify the municipal fleet because of many factors, and the current challenges with particular manufacturers who seem to be pulling back on Electric Vehicles appropriate for police, etc.
- We extended a thank you to Becky for all her work, as this was her last meeting with us.

Next meetings:

- March 11, 3:30pm
- April 11, 3:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 4:37pm., roll call vote: John Livermore (yes), Eileen Mathieu(yes), Becky Curran Cutting (yes), Lisa Wolf (yes), Thatcher Kezer (yes), Alexa Singer (yes), Joseph Kowalik (yes).

Respectfully submitted by Eileen Mathieu March 11, 2024