

Minutes of Net Zero Planning Committee/Green Marblehead Committee May 16, 2022

Minutes approved at 6/2/22 meeting

Present: John Livermore, Becky Curran Cutting, Dr. John Buckey, Alexa Singer, John Albright, Joe Kowalik, Eileen Mathieu, Brooks Winner, chair

Updates:

Becky Curran Cutting: Resiliency update on ? June 9 public forum applying for 3rd grant for \$200,000 matched by ARPA funds.

Joe Kowalik: battery storage project in Ludlow will be added to MMLD portfolio, also voted to participate in offshore wind purchase through MMWEC.

New Stretch Code review process underway through DOER: John Albright says not following until it is published, Becky suggested that John Albright, Becky, and people from SM who are interested in adopting a Net Zero Stretch Code meet once it is published to discuss how to adopt.

Minutes approved:

March 3, March 24, April, April 13, with amendments, starting on Page 2 of March 3, instead of "Review of Key Impactful Actions based on their contribution to reducing GHG emissions" amended to say Board continued to review and rank Marblehead Net Zero Roadmap Action List.

This same wording will be substituted in March 24, page 1; April 7, page 2; April 14, page 1.

Rediscovered Key Impactful Action #94: Become a Green Community

Decision on final wording: Consider Becoming a "Green Community"

Discussed Roadmap Document: outline

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Acknowledgements

Introduction

- a) From Town officials: Alexa Singer, Selectboard; Becky Curran Cutting representing Town Planning, Town administrative employees; offered to John Albright, Building Commissioner, he declined; Goal of Town official introduction is to explain what is the point of going Net Zero, what is it going to cost, why focus on this, how will it protect the Town in the future
- b) From citizens: Letter from the future: purpose to help people visualize the changes, help market Net Zero concept, will have creative element; Joe K, John Livermore, Eileen

Mathieu will work on this. Letter from the future should be based on the actual postcards people submitted during the Net Zero Planning workshop; Brooks should make them available and we should find 6 or more letters, and condense the ideas and say, “in the Townspeople’s voice”, “many suggested”, or “a few suggested”, etc

- c) Alexa will be sure that there is no redundancy between the Town officials’ letter and the citizen letter from the future.

Getting to Net Zero:

- a) summary of GHG inventory
- b) why net zero, climate context
- c) what does net zero mean
- d) Getting there equitably
- e) How do we get there

What data is not in this report (Boats, Lawn equipment)

Town level actions

Individual actions

Carbon Calculator?

- f) what have we already done (summary of programs to date)
- g) what have we heard from community engagement summary
- h) how can you be a net zero hero: ways to get involved

Net Zero Roadmap categories: use the same as the Key Impactful Actions List? Or Rename?

- a) Homes and Businesses Emissions from Heating and Cooling
- b) Mobility/Transportation
- c) Energy or Where our energy comes from
- d) Natural Solutions

Implementation

Timeline for implementation: priorities

Intervals to reassess and update

Appendices

Net Zero Planning Committee timeline:

- a) Draft document, work on draft in June. Once draft is ready, take on road show: steps b) c) and d)
- b) Take draft document to Town Boards and Committees (Planning Board, Selectboard?, Zoning, Park and Rec, Schools, MMLB, Tree Dept)
- c) Town-wide workshop for Presentation of Net Zero Plan Document (in late Sept/early Oct?) major launch, incorporate feedback from Town Boards before this workshop.

Location: Becky has had good experience with holding at Library (but will be closed soon?), Selectmen's chambers and Mary Alley both should have hybrid capabilities soon.

Format: hybrid, people prefer trying to have hybrid meeting, not solely on zoom; have 2 moderators, one in person, one monitoring zoom and chat

- d) presentation of draft Net Zero Plan document to Community groups (2 Rotary groups, chamber of commerce, council on Aging, PTO, churches and temples, neighborhood associations, etc) during September and October.
- e) Present final document to Selectboard for adoption October/November 2022

Respectfully submitted by Eileen Mathieu
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