Hadley Climate Change Committee Agenda September 14, 2023, 7:00PM- Hadley Senior Center

Mission Statement:

- Assemble and explain information regarding the Town's current ecological footprint.
- Assemble and explain information regarding potential actions the Town might take to reduce our ecological footprint.
- Help the town evaluate, choose, and implement actions that promote sustainable practices.
- Monitor changes in the Town's ecological footprint over time.

Special Guests-

Scott McCarthy- Hadley DPW Director- Scott will share about the culvert & drainage ditch clean-out project in town. He will also share about the recent MVP 2.0 Grant (?) about controlling flooding.

"In Hadley, \$157,641 is going toward flood resilience improvements, including performing flood modeling under existing and potential future conditions, and developing a prioritized action plan to reduce flood risk throughout the watershed through nature-based solutions and stream continuity improvements, such as designing and permitting stream continuity improvements of two undersized culverts."

https://www.articles.gazettenet.com/\$31-5-million-in-climate-resiliency-money-coming-to-Massachusetts-communities-52131620

Chris Mason- Regional Coordinator, Green Communities. Chris is hoping to attend our meeting this month. He will be coming from Boston and timing might be tight. **He is invited to look at GC grants for this year and in the future.** He recently sent this message regarding our next meeting:

"Take a look at https://www.mass.gov/doc/map-of-291-gcs-and-grant-summaries/download

Scroll down and you will find a short blurb on what was funded, both designation grants (green and clear highlight) and competitive grants (tan highlight)."

<u>Updates-</u> A high school student voice on the committee

<u>New Items-</u> Speaker's Series- planning ahead

What topics would we want to see in a spring speaker series?

Note- Next month we will invite the members of Hadley Learns to join us and plan

<u>Other Business</u> Co-chairing this committee

Videotaping these meetings

<u>Public Comment Period-</u> limited to three minutes per guest.

<u>New Items:</u> Next meeting (October 12, 2023)

New items not anticipated at time of posting (TBD)

Action items/Homework