

Hadley Climate Change Committee
Agenda
April 11, 2024 7:00 pm Hadley Senior Center

Mission Statement:

- *Assemble and explain information regarding the Town's ecological footprint.*
- *Assemble and explain information regarding potential action 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.*

1. Call to Order

2. Meeting posting error-

"Good afternoon,

There appears to have been some confusion in posting notification for this meeting, with several errors. On the town website, the event date lists both Friday, March 15, 6 p.m.. and Thursday, March 14, 6 p.m.. On the actual agenda, the date is listed as March 14 at 7 p.m. The file name on the agenda also includes the 3-14 date. So, that's three different dates/times for one meeting. It's already causing confusion; yesterday afternoon (Thursday) a friend forwarded the agenda, but said he could not attend the meeting, asking if I would be able to go. It's impossible to know if others were misled by the multiple dates. Either way, it's a problem and I don't see how this meeting can legally be held. Doing so could place the committee in violation of open meeting law. I'd suggest checking with town hall.

Regards,

Tony Fyden"

Here is the response from Town Clerk:

Hi Tony,

Please see the below response I sent to Jack and Carolyn regarding your posting complaint:

The posting of the March 15 date was an error on my part. My bad. I apologize for any confusion. Simply revoke any decisions made at the next meeting.

I always respond to the Chair that posts the meeting that it has been received and posted. That person can always double check the town website to confirm there are no human errors in the posting, especially as this committee has been really considerate to post well in advance. Please feel free to contact me with any additional questions/concerns.

Add the complaint to the next agenda, announce at the next meeting that there was an error on the last meeting posting, it has been addressed and re-take any votes.

Again please feel free to contact me with any additional questions or concerns.

Jessica Spanknebel

Town Clerk
100 Middle St
Hadley, MA 01035

3. Guest Speaker, Tom Waskiewicz, Assistant Professor of Management at Elms College. His MBA students will investigate our committee and see what suggestions they can make.

4. Approve Minutes

February, 2024, re-vote

5. Updates

5.1 Farmer's Roundtable

5.2 Solar on the Landfill

5.3 Spring, 2024 Clean-Up Day- <https://forms.gle/vFCQcmzWGvBzCfqk7>

5.4 Green Communities grant planning meeting

6. New Topics

6.1 Having a Look at What Amherst is Doing/The Amherst Sustainability Dashboard- homework

<https://www.amherstma.gov/3469/Energy-Climate-Action-Committee>

<https://www.amherstma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/58981/Climate-Action-Adaptation-and-Resilience-Plan-Final-from-June-2021>

<https://www.amherstma.gov/1671/Sustaining-Amherst>

<https://www.amherstma.gov/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=3500>

<https://sustainabilitydashboard.amherstma.gov/home>

6.2 Recycling Dividends Program Grant

7. Items Not Anticipated at time of posting (TBD)

8. Updates- April

8.1 Solar at landfill meeting with town manager

8.2 Farmer Roundtable- Plainville Fram March 22, 2024

8.3 Select Board meeting

9. Items Not Anticipated at time of posting (TBD)

10. Public Comment (*15 minutes total allocated with up to 3 minutes per speaker*) Please confine comments to topics relevant to this committee.

11. Note taker for next meeting

12. Adjourn meeting

Next meeting May 9, 2024

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