

Task Force on the Climate Emergency
Agenda for meeting 4/26/2021, 3:30 PM.

1. Call to order
2. Approval of Minutes
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Public Comment.
5. Regular Business
 - A. Continuing work on Climate Action Plan
 - i. Review sections
 - ii. Review overall document structure.
 - iii. Identify what's missing/needed to complete.
 - B. GHG Audit
 1. Additional recommendations?
 2. Ongoing tracking.
 - C. Report on COA Technical Writing Class
 - D. Free or discounted electric permits for EV Chargers, Solar panels or Heat Pump installations. A Town Council member asked me if we thought the town should waive the \$102 fee for an electric permit if the permit was for an EV Charger, Solar Panel or Heat Pump.
 - E. LD 754, An Act to Promote Municipal Climate Action. BH Council vote and TF on CE actions.
 - F. Discussion of Ground mounted Solar ordinance.
6. Items for next meeting.
7. Task Force Comments.
8. Adjournment

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Future Work:

- A. Tourism carbon impact
 - i. Cruise ships
- B. Climate Justice-- acknowledge impact of climate change and its disproportional impact on lower socio-economic groups and the intersectionality with other crises like racial equity. Climate change impacts developing countries exponentially more than developed countries and the developing countries are not the ones benefiting from the use of fossil fuels etc.
- C. Ground mounted solar array.
- D. Community composting.
- E. EV chargers
- F. Town based incentives for new buildings or renovations to exceed code requirements for efficiency, build electric and/or incorporating solar into design. Tax break? Cash back? What could the town actually do to incentivize? Could you forgive the first year of property taxes on a new build if there a solar array of a certain size or all electric house or passive house level insulation? A few thousand dollars might be enough to encourage some best practices.
- G. Public Outreach
 - i. Engage the BH Chamber of Commerce