

Task Force on the Climate Emergency  
Agenda for meeting 5/24/2021, 3:30 PM.

1. Call to order
2. Approval of Minutes
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Public Comment.
5. Regular Business
  - A. HCPC conversation with Jared Farn-Guillette
    - i. What services HCPC is able to offer re climate action planning.
    - ii. How best to fill the role of a Sustainability Coordinator. Hire? Contract?
    - iii. Your advice on how to solicit help—job description? RFP?
    - iv. Is it possible to regionalize any of this activity in terms of planning or support resources?
    - v. Your reaction to our draft climate action plan.
  - B. ACTT Higgin's Pit Solar Feasibility study response from Council.
  - C. GHG Audit – where to next? (recommendation to council? ongoing data tracking)
    - i. Audit collection tools like Clearpath or SIMAP? There may be others, spreadsheet tools, etc... .
    - ii. Review audit and present to council
    - iii. Add 2020-2021 data for tracking
    - iv. Hire an Americorps Vista Volunteer for a year to assist with sustainability efforts (update GHG audit, other?)
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