



GREEN ADVISORY BOARD AGENDA
MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2021
6:00 pm
VIRTUAL MEETING

Members Present: Eric Hudson, Cameren Cousins, Mary Smith E, Dennis Loria

Associate Member: Peter Berry, Erik Larson

Sustainability Director: Andrea Becerra

Regional School Representative: Kate Crosby

6:03 Mr. Hudson called the meeting to order at 6:03PM via a virtual meeting with no Board Members in physical attendance are using the via Zoom.us virtual meeting platform. Mr. Hudson reported The Town of Acton in response to the COVID-19 (Corona Virus) is currently following the guidance from the Acton Board of Health, Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the CDC regarding the virus and steps communities can take to prevent the spread. The Town Hall and Memorial Library are closed to the public.

Mr. Hudson called roll attendance:

Mr. Hudson - present

Ms. Cousins - present

Ms. Smith - present

Mr. Loria - present

II. New/Special Business

Update from Sustainability Director

Ms. Becerra submitted a grant for funding for the MAPC Accelerating Resiliency grant for \$36K for a tree planting initiative and nature-based solutions assessment done with Natural Resources, Public Works & Parks & Rec Department. MVP Action Grant – Ms. Becerra submitted a Letter of Interest for support for the Climate Action Plan.

Ms. Becerra received a scope of work from MAPC for the Climate Action Plan and shared her screen to share the scope of work.

Ms. Cousins noted that Kim Lundgren Associates helped Lexington & Concord

Ms. Crosby noted that Jillian's recommendation of MAPC is worth a lot

Ms. Smith has worked with MAPC in the past and has had good experiences with them.

Mr. Hudson noted that MAPC might be a more affordable option

GAB & Sustainability Working Group – how they work together

Ms. Becerra brought up draft MAPC proposal

Ms. Cousins mentioned Mr. Berry, Ms. Simes, Ms. Cousins, Mr. Mangiaratti & Ms. Becerra are all a part of the Sustainability Working Group. Ms. Cousins would like to see it have more



voices. Mr. Berry notes that this is an informal group and that there is interest in continuing to meet.

Mr. Hudson noted that Andrea would reach out to various groups to ask them “what is your charter and how can you help advance the goals of the GAB”

Mr. Loria noted that GAB might need to be more diverse and include more levels of expertise, beyond energy.

Mr. Berry take the scope to the GAB and get input from GAB.

Mr. Hudson supports working with MAPC

Mr. Berry notes that this is a decision that the GAB is charged to take.

Ms. Andrea could schedule a meeting in one week to review the scope

Mr. Eric asked the GAB if they are able to meet to review the MAPC scope of work. Mr. Larson,

Ms. Cousins, Ms. Smith, Mr. Berry and Mr. Hudson raised their hands showing approval for a

meeting on Monday at 6pm. GAB members will send questions directly to Andrea to discuss

MAPC.

Green Communities Grant

Ms. Crosby shared the new Green Communities grant table

Projects and initiatives, including Green Communities Grant

Mr. Hudson moved to adjourn at 7:24

Mr. Smith - Second

Ms. Chandra - Aye

Ms. Cousins – Aye

The Board voted 4-0, motion carries; meeting adjourned