

# Committee for Energy Efficiency and Sustainability (CEES)

Board Meeting Agenda  
March 9, 2022  
7:00pm – 8:30pm  
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Item	Agenda	Start Time
1	<b>Call to Order: Welcome!</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>
2	<b>Approval of the February 9, 2022, Meeting Minutes</b>	<b>7:05 PM</b>
3	<b>Committee Term Limits</b> <b>Background:</b> The committee will assign 3-year staggered term limits to members.  <b>Action Required:</b> Adopt term limits for members	<b>7:05PM</b>
4	<b><u>Climate Action Task Force – Organizational Meeting</u></b> <b>Background:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Task Force Representation</li> <li>- Group Structure</li> <li>- Brainstorm Outreach Efforts</li> <li>- Action Plan Implementation Strategy</li> </ul> <b>Action Required:</b> No action is required.	<b>7:15 PM</b>
5	<b><u>Ongoing Project/Policy Update(s)</u></b> <b>Background:</b> Committee members and staff will provide updates on current projects. Those projects include: Electric Vehicles, LED Streetlight Conversion, Solar PPA, Community Solar Development, and municipal broadband.  <b>Action Required:</b> No action required.	<b>8:00 PM</b>
6	<b><u>Other Business</u></b> <b>Background:</b> Pest waste cleanup event, outreach efforts, etc.  <b>Action Required:</b> No action required.	<b>8:15 PM</b>
7	<b><u>Adjourn</u></b>	<b>8:30 PM</b>

## Packet Materials

- February 9, 2022, Meeting Minutes

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## Board Members Present

- Peter Fromuth     David Ertz     Scott Sherriff     Michael Sears  
 Kurt Adams     Chuck Parker     Bill Dunn     Danielle Hood     Megan Hellstedt  
 Anna Siegel (SL)     Heather Abbott (TC)  
 Scott LaFlamme (Staff)

Public in Attendance: Sara Mills-Knapp, GPCOG

## Agenda Items

### Approval of the January 12, 2022, Meeting Minutes

Danielle Hood brought the February 9, 2022, CEES meeting to order at 7:02pm. Before entertaining motions to accept the January 12, 2022, CEES meeting minutes, Scott LaFlamme introduced Sara Mills-Knapp to the group. Sara is the Director of Sustainability for the Greater Portland Council of Governments (GPCOG). After a brief introduction, David Ertz moved to accept as presented. Scott Sherriff seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

### Climate Emergency Declaration/Community Resiliency Partnership – Next Steps

D. Hood began by thanking committee members who attended the February 3<sup>rd</sup> Town Council workshop meeting, where the climate emergency declaration was discussed. Overall, that discussion was extremely positive, and the topic advanced to the February voting meeting. D. Hood and Anna Siegel were to reach out to members of the Green Voices Society to confirm that they were comfortable with the current language.

In preparation for the Town Council's decision, the group then discussed potential next steps for Yarmouth's participation in the Community Resiliency Partnership program. S. Mills-Knapp provided a detailed overview of GPCOG's approach to the program. She then invited CEES, and the Town, to join in a regional cohort that GPCOG is organizing. By participating in the group, GPCOG would facilitate the public outreach events, share data from other regional participants, and prepare CEES for the program's grant deadline in September. The group felt that it made sense to take a measured approach to community outreach. As a committee, members supported moving forward in GPCOG's regional cohort.

S. LaFlamme then asked for volunteers interested in participating on the climate emergency task force. After a discussing responsibilities and possible conflicts of interest, the group tabled the discussion to their March meeting.

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## Ongoing Project/Policy Update(s)

- S. LaFlamme reported that the Town and EDPR are continuing to work with CMP to finalize option agreement requirements. Work is ongoing, albeit slowly.
- S. LaFlamme reported that the Town recently received the Army Corps of Engineers scope of work for the Royal River dam study. S. LaFlamme will circulate it to the group.
- S. LaFlamme reported that the Wyman Station Work Group met recently and commissioned an existing condition report from Ransom Consulting for the site. That work is expected to be completed in mid-March.

## Other Business

- S. LaFlamme mentioned to the group that they will need to establish staggered terms in March.

## Adjourn

The Committee adjourned upon mutual consent at 8:24pm.