

Arrowsic Climate Resilience Committee Meeting Agenda
Wednesday – January 17, 2024. 6:00 – 7:30 pm - Town Hall and zoom

Meeting Notes

Attendees: Madeline, me, Tom Speer, Jesse, Jennifer G, Jody, Jenna, Mona, Karin, Dan, Abby

1. Meeting called to order
2. Previous [meeting minutes for November 15, 2023](#) - approved unanimously
3. Climate Action Handbook - Pages discussion
 - Jennifer: Add to the efficiency section, how to sign up for community solar
 - Jody: After we have a draft – let’s look at the “other resources” section and think about what’s missing and needed. We can review the community solar addition in this step
 - Tom: Will put a draft together and share with Aleisha to review; send out a working final draft to authors for review and provide any needed additions. **ACTION**
 - Jody: Will revise the timeline. **ACTION**
4. Climate Action Plan Discussion
 - Tom: Suggestion to address comments as a first step so there is less input to go through
 - Mona: Recommend we highlight the weather impact of the last week
 - Tom: Focus on the danger and threat (e.g., intro) before getting into the detail
 - Jesse: Use the intro (with a time stamp) as a place to speak to the situation and let the rest be timeless
 - Madeline: The straightforward comments have been addressed and we can discuss several remaining questions tonight and then work toward a final draft:
 - Title page and changes to address the photo/title block.
 - Group likes the color block in the upper left.
 - Photo: reference the event ... or current photo, which presents calm and what we’re planning for? Could also design the “seal replacement” to show the maps for Arrowsic’s high tide line.
 - Consensus on a cover with the raised title box on left and current photo; and Madeline will draft a seal replacement.
 - Land Acknowledgement – comments were vague.
 - Jesse with Madeline will work to make the message more relevant to the land stewardship we’re trying to do here.
 - Individual Actions – keep here or pull out & fold into the Handbook?
 - Folding into the Handbook would take significant time and would increase the size of that resource.
 - Consensus around keeping these actions in the Action Plan, as is.
 - MUBEC/Stretch code – code enforcement officer pushing to drop this recommendation.
 - Consensus to keep in as “consider”(Tom: it’s our job to make the best recommendations)

- Purchasing Standard – comments that this is already in place but problematic to enforce but no details on why.
 - Walter Briggs may be working on this. No mechanism to enact it.
 - Consensus to revise language to reference the existing standard and broaden it to cover all purchases (not just those by the planning committee)
- Prioritizing Recommendations – a comment asked to see town priorities called out more.
 - Tom: Suggests using the final editing process to really highlight our priorities, and look at individual recommendation language and tighten up to be stronger. Try to be as affirmative and as direct as we can.
- Tidal crossing map with photo insets – does this work?
 - Madeline will design a 11x17 page/fold-out page with more photos to communicate what it is showing.
- Next version should be available 2 weeks before the next meeting (and Madeline will share options for the title page and map page).

5. Next steps for ACRC?

- Talk more next meeting; think about how each of us personally want to stay involved

6. Climate Workshop/talks/festival?

- Table discussion for next meeting

7. Proposed 2024 meeting dates

- Wed, Feb. 14
- Wed, April 10
- Wed, May10

8. Adjourn at 7:40 ... Feb 14 next meeting