



# Town of Ashland

MASSACHUSETTS

## ASHLAND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

**Date:** Tuesday, April 26, 2022

**Time:** 7:00pm ET

**Location:** Zoom Video Call

### **Present:**

- Ash Ratanchandani – Chair
- Chuck Lidz – Vice Chair
- Cara Camerato-Hulme – Member
- Margy Gassel – Member
- Matt Marshquist – Member
- Terry Campbell - Member
- Amol Rane – Resident
- David Levy – Resident
- Florence Seidell – Resident
- Mark Dassoni – Resident
- Rob Moolenbeek – Resident

### **Sustainability Manager:**

- Chuck described interviews for Sustainability Manager and said Michael has made an offer to one. Chuck concurred with choice Michael made.

### **Minutes:**

- Ash has submitted minutes through March. Matt will prepare minutes for 12 April. Ash picked Terry to take minutes for this meeting.

### **Kevin's Resignation:**

- Kevin has submitted his resignation to the committee, but has not submitted it to the select board.
- Ash asked the committee to think about who would like to take Kevin's place as clerk for the committee.

- Ash is thinking about who to propose/recruit to replace Kevin as a member.

### **David Levy Introduction**

- David Levy introduced himself as a former Condo manager and discussed sustainability in a condo environment.
- David is retired from condo management, and has affiliated with a sustainable roofing group and is advocating for solar on flat roofs.
- David will be moving to Maine shortly but will maintain his business interests in Ashland.

### **Net Zero Presentations**

- Debriefed on Library presentation.
- Debriefed on Open Space Committee presentation.

### **Town Meeting Warrant**

- Reviewed warrant for town meeting with addition of line about sustainability being required as part of any multi-year strategic plans.
- Discussed warrant presentation approach. Ash will present overview with inspiration.

### **Proposed Timeline for Net Zero**

- Matt reviewed proposed timeline for Net Zero activities through 2030.

### **Vacancies from Kevin's Resignation**

- Terry volunteered for Clerk and was voted unanimously into the role.
- Cara volunteered for Social Media Lead and voted unanimously into the role.
- Matt will continue to work on the newsletter.

### **Plastic Bag Ban Violation**

- Margy confronted a restaurant owner about the use of plastic bags. The bylaw makes enforcement the responsibility of the town manager. Margy will provide the details to Ash and Ash will inform Michael of the violation.

*Meeting adjourned around 8:45pm ET*