

MONTAGUE ENERGY & SOLAR PLANNING COMMITTEES JOINT MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday March 26, 2024, 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM

Due to COVID-19 Public Participation will be by Zoom

Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85058218949?>

Meeting ID: 850 5821 8949, Passcode: Montague, Dial by your location +1 646 558 8656 US (NY)

Votes May Be Taken

Designate facilitator and scribe 4:32 PM

Approve minutes from February 27, 2024 MEC meetings (vote).4:35 PM

Community Planning For Solar with U. Mass. Clean Energy Ext. 4:45 PM

- Meetings with Town Department Heads & Public Solar Forum:
 - o Online only, agenda?
 - o Meeting dates, times in May.

Update on Mass Clean Energy Center BETA pilot program creating decarbonization plans for large buildings, joint effort with Gill Energy Committee to engage G-M School District. 4:55 PM

Update on Green Communities Grant Projects. 5:05 PM

- Streetlight conversion to LED (completed), partial shades possible for affected houses.

Energy Related Town Facility Updates. 5:10 PM

- Clean Water Facility: META grant updates on hydroelectric power
- Elementary School ventilation
- Information on net zero & energy efficient techniques, including embodied carbon.

State & federal level energy-related policies & legislation updates. 5:15 PM

- Discussion of Town opting into Specialized Net Zero Stretch Code
- Other legislation & policies, including Inflation Reduction Act updates, MA Climate Bills.

Grid Infrastructure Issues. 5:20 PM

Recruiting more Energy Committee members. 5:30 PM

Helping Town Prioritize Energy-Saving Projects for Upcoming State & Federal Grants. 5:35 PM

Adding missing approved minutes to the Town web site. 5:40 PM

Other topics not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting. 5:45 PM

Announcements (no discussion). 5:50 PM

Plan agenda for next meeting. 5:55 PM