

**TOWN OF FAIRFAX
CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE (CAC)
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

DATE, TIME, PLACE:

Tuesday, April 15, 2025, 6:00 PM, at the Fairfax Women's Club

CALL TO ORDER

- Chair Timms called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

ROLL CALL

- CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Jody Timms (Chair), Liz Gottlieb, Sheryl Shakeshaft, Bruce Ackerman
- CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Adrianna "Jonna" Smyth
- COUNCIL MEMBER: (not present)
- STAFF: Bridget Wipfler, Climate Coordinator
- GUESTS: Daniel Cardozo, Patrick Costello, Beth Verdekal Craig, Councilmember Egger

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

- Was read by Patrick

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

- Motion to approve the agenda and affidavit of posting. AYES all.

OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION – none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MARCH 2025 REGULAR MEETING

- Motion to approve. AYES All

STAFF UPDATE – Bridget Wipfler

- \$100k BayREN decarb & efficiency grant was awarded for San Anselmo but not for Fairfax.
- Repair Fair will be June 28, 1-4pm.
- The libraries all have Induction Toolkits (loaners) now!
- A Fairfax Take-Back Day is being organized for September, with help from Renee Goddard/MSS. Hoping to include drug take-back as well as electronics waste, shredding.
- Grant of \$100k for fleet planning will start soon, Bridget will be main contact for now.
- AB306 is a so-far-vague but already controversial bill being considered to streamline building; how might it affect adoption of the 2025 Building Code? MCEP committee is tracking it, Bridget is involved. Also, on new MCEP "Alternative Commuting Committee," will be meeting with TAM.
- Bicycle-Pedestrian Advisory Committee is being formed – volunteers apply!
- Applying for a Fast EV Charger grant – we brainstormed a list of good locations. Level 3?

- Fairfax is part of “Charging Smart” cohort with aim to have Silver designation at end of pilot, in 6 months. May eventually hit Gold in 1-2 years.
- At the 4/28 San Anselmo CAC, the owner of an 8-plex will describe his installing EV chargers.
- Councilmember Egger came in to listen, and asked about chargers, both public and at Multi-Family Housing.
- 2025-2026 draft budget discussed briefly.

TOWN COUNCIL LIAISON UPDATE – Vice Mayor Hellman not present

CHAIR’S REPORT

- County updates of relevance-April 23rd Earth Day Changemakers event coming up; MarinCAN is exploring a possible Countywide parcel tax measure for a climate fund for local solutions.
- Annual Action Plan – will send final to all members.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT INITIATIVES

- Electrification Fair: feedback from students was very detailed. Successful event!
- Festival: Jody getting parade application in, for CAC and other groups.
- May 4 EV/eBike Show at Red Hill.
- Bruce & Sheryl could meet re email lists, possibly for a CAC Newsletter.

TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVES

- Discussed eBike rebates, how/if we could potentially manage low-income qualification.
- “It’s Electric,” curbside pilot under investigation in San Anselmo/Public Works.

SEQUESTRATION/WATER/WASTE INITIATIVES

- Compost from MSS will be delivered Thursday!

BUILT ENVIRONMENT INITIATIVES

- Liz & Bruce have begun reviewing the summary sheets re: 2025 Building Codes.
- Pavilion Project to be presented to Council in May; hoping all CAC members can help present.
- Sausalito permit data: Subcommittee will review.
- Building Electrification Roadmap: Bridget is developing a workplan for Fairfax.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Next CAC meeting May 20.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Timms adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED by Bruce Ackerman, Secretary