



Community Resilience Working Group

Meeting Minutes

November 24, 2020

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm via Zoom platform.

Members Present: Stacia Donahue, Lucy Wallace, Ron Ostberg, Christiane Turnheim, Ellen Sachs Leicher, Jaye Waldron, Peter Kelly-Joseph, Phoebe von Conta, and Abby Alpert.

Staff Present: Christopher Ryan (Director of Community and Economic Development)

Others Present: None

Mr. Ryan Reviewed where we've gone and where we're headed.

CRWG basically breaking into three subgroups: Apple County, Outreach and Community engagement, and Plan Development.

Is there a spreadsheet showing the chapters that we have so far? Plan development group: Ms. Sachs Leicher, Ms. Cronin, Mr. Ostberg, Ms. Wallace, Ms. Waldron, and Ms. McCarthy

KLA gave us the suggestions for our chapters. Derived from our original 13 from the original MVP.

- Built Environment
- Transportation
- Waste
- Land Use
- Natural Resources
- Social Resilience
- Governance and Implementation

Digging into the KLA drop box might have value in starting organization.

Ms. Wallace noted that many past plans are good for reference, but might not get to the urgency of where we are now.

Mr. Ryan will set up a Dropbox for resources. We can't collaborate there as it's a violation of open meeting law. However, it can go there for resources. The team noted trouble with

Dropbox. It's expensive and many people are having trouble with it filling up. Unwilling to pay 20\$/month for volunteer-based work we do.

The Agricultural Climate Action Plan (AgCAP) is ready or close to ready to reveal. How will Ag approach it? Trying to tackle the first few action items. Trying to narrow down to three points to start with next year. No discussion of the 'reveal'. (Is this something our young/hip group could do in conjunction with Harvard Cable? Could they record something for dispersal to the town?)

Monthly meetings of whole group will help guide next steps. Once Plan group gets organized, then Communications/outreach group can get the word out. Ms. Sachs Leicher found a massenergize.org site that seems to have some of what we're looking to achieve. Ms. Sachs Leicher is meeting with someone to review how it works. She will try to have Arianna or Alexandra join her (or anyone) to see if it's something we can glob onto to help get the word out or be our central point. We seem to need a central 'space' to gather information for everyone. Dropbox is not working for us.

Mr. Kelly-Joseph asks if we should set some deadlines for ourselves to some end point? Mr. Ostberg noted that 2 and 3 should have an outline to get started and then assign some sort of a schedule. Doing this would help us identify the 'holes' in our plans. Mr. Ryan hopes the groups would meet and start working thru the structure. Mr. Kelly-Joseph noted that maybe we need to 'plod' along for a bit to get some progress before setting a new deadline.

Subgroups meet twice before next large group meeting. Looking for Ms. Donahue, Mr. Kelly-Joseph, and Mr. Ryan to have their sub committees meet in the next couple of weeks. 1 meeting in mid-December, 1 meeting early January and then whole group get together again at end of January.

Abby will join the Apple Country sub group to help as ConCom? (or is it Harvard Conservation Trust? Or OpenSpace?) group member.

Ms. Sachs Leicher noted that we should all look at the Concord plans (done by KLA) to see a streamlined plan with some reachable goals. We don't want to create just documents that don't go anywhere, but some actionable things that can be achieved.

Next step is to get Doodle Polls out to determine some meeting dates/times for sub groups.

Adjourned 8:26 pm