



# Town of Reading Meeting Posting with Agenda

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## Board - Committee - Commission - Council:

Climate Advisory Committee

Date: 2023-05-10

Time: 7:00 PM

Building: Reading Town Hall

Location: Berger Room

Address: 16 Lowell Street

Purpose: Scheduled Meeting

Meeting Called By: David Zeek, Chairman

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## Topics of Discussion:

This will be a ZOOM virtual meeting, not an in-person meeting.

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## Agenda

Welcome to Members and Guests

1. Review and approve prior meeting minutes.
2. Question from Carol Ouellette ([cjouelle@hotmail.com](mailto:cjouelle@hotmail.com)) about phasing out or at least restricting the use of gas-powered leaf blowers?  
These machines create both chemical and noise pollution. Many towns are in the process or have already passed laws to restrict or eliminate them. Carol provided a great summary of the issues and what other towns are doing:  
[https://docs.google.com/document/d/11rZDIyepPTvq0L3ZxmIJyyWRLdVEi2Lk/edit?usp=share\\_link&ouid=112331477263965221900&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/document/d/11rZDIyepPTvq0L3ZxmIJyyWRLdVEi2Lk/edit?usp=share_link&ouid=112331477263965221900&rtpof=true&sd=true)

This Agenda has been prepared in advance and represents a listing of topics that the chair reasonably anticipates will be discussed at the meeting. However the agenda does not necessarily include all matters which may be taken up at this meeting.



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3. Polystyrene bylaw implementation.  
David met with Ben Case on May 1 to plan updates to the Web page on the Polystyrene Bylaw.
4. Plans for Friends & Family Day, June 10.  
See Walt's proposal for an activity featuring sorting plastics in the waste stream. RMHS Environmental Club may (or not) join us to present a poster on their project to publicize the Maillet Sommes Morgan conservation project.
5. Report from Bicycle Recycling and Give-away, May 5-6, at RMLD.
6. Training requirements per Laura Gemme
  - Required: Conflict of Interest and Ethics training. Please create an account and remember your password. <https://massethicstraining.skillburst.com/User/index.php>
  - Recommended: Open Meeting Law and Public Records (Zoom or in person.)

Any new business to add to the agenda

### Ongoing Business

1. 2023 Heating and Cooling Survey results are being collected by Town Clerk.  
We have received 4,121 of them, so far.
2. Bylaw on Regulation of Polystyrene & Disposable Food Service Containers is approved and effective 2/22/2023. Enforcement begins 2/22/2024.
3. Support town Net Zero Plan – starts in July
4. Support town Hazard Mitigation Plan  
Next Working Group Meeting is scheduled for May 16.

### Committee Membership

Openings: 3 Associate Members

Updates on assigned Action Items from previous meetings

1. Ray will summarize results from the 2009 CAP.
2. Subteam of Gena and Travis develop a resident survey to inform our priorities.

### Calendar:

- 5/10 Climate Advisory Committee – Zoom
- 5/16 Hazard Mitigation Plan Working Group
- 5/16 Carbon Countdown 2023, 7:00pm  
<https://CarbonCountdown2023.eventbrite.com>
- 5/20 Carbon Countdown 2023, 9:30am
- 5/23 Open Meeting Law and Public Records Training
- 5/24 Climate Advisory Committee – Zoom
- 6/10 Friends & Family Day
- 6/14 Climate Advisory Committee – Zoom – RMLD update with Greg Phipps
- 6/28 Climate Advisory Committee – Zoom
- 10/3 New Resident Open House

Other issues

Thank you, David Zeek