

Vermont Climate Council Steering Committee Meeting
April 22, 2024, 8:30am – 9:30am
Minutes

Join Zoom Meeting

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Steering Committee members:

- Kristin Clouser, Julie Moore, Jared Duval, Kelly Klein

Staff and support:

- David Plumb, Sophi Veltrop, Jane Lazorchak, Charlotte Goodman

8:30 AM Welcome/Overview of Agenda/Approval of minutes.

Kristin Clouser, Agency of Administration & David Plumb, CBI

- Minutes approved

8:35 AM Overview of Planned Public Outreach and Engagement

Sophi Veltrop, Climate Action Office

Specific action needed by the Steering Committee:

- Provide input on planned approach.

Reflections from Steering Committee included:

- Create or update a document/ tool to inform Councilors about events that would be priority to attend for information sharing, context setting, transparency, etc.

9:05 AM June Climate Council Meeting – Initial Planning

David Plumb, CBI

Specific action needed by the Steering Committee:

- Provide initial ideas for the Council's June meeting.

Reflections included:

- Guidance on engagement and public comment processes (draft prioritization templates and share with subcommittees at next meeting)
- Create/ update process for the Council to hear background/ context of subcommittees' substantive reports before considering their recommendations (ex. science and data subcommittee will share an update and describe potential implications of their work related to social costs of greenhouse gases after their next meeting's presentation)
- Additional facilitation requests: include a reminder about the possibility of requesting facilitation support, and overview of the process for doing so, and criteria for when and how to apply facilitation resources (as this resource is finite)
 - Science and data subcommittee will need additional facilitation for their meeting in May (after presentation on social costs of GHGs) to update and make recommendations for the Council
- Update on legislative session pertaining to where the Council stands

To be confirmed/ done at the next Steering Committee meeting:

- Have each subcommittee share their work plans/ priorities/ timelines in order to identify potential places to collaborate
- After subcommittee presentations, hold space for open discussion
- CBI/ CAO create draft of templates/ prioritization documents to review with co-chairs
- Confirm June Council meeting agenda/ date (when it will be clear whether or not there is a veto session)

9:20 AM Public Comment

- Is there an update on the municipal climate toolkit?
 - The materials are ready but the contract needs to be finalized - should be up and running in the Spring

9:33 AM Adjourn