

**TOWN OF CARRBORO  
CLIMATE ACTION TEAM– SUMMARY**



Meeting on April 20, 2023, 7:00 pm

Board Members	Board Members	Town Council Members	Staff	Guests
Heidi Paulsen	Jane Danielewicz	Randee Haven-O’Donnell	Laura Janway	Nicole LePetri (CAT Applicant)
Chrissie Schalkoff	Nick Stover	Sammy Slade		
Riz Rashdi	Greg Randolph			
Kathy Kaufman	Meg Molloy			
Lauren Nyland	Tilly Pick			
Rob Pinder				

Note: Absent/Excused: Caroline Zhou

**Call to Order, Announcements**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Chair Kaufman. Chair Kaufman asked all attendees to introduce themselves.

**Approve 2/16/23 Meeting Minutes**

Danielewicz motioned to approve the 2/16/23 meeting minutes, seconded by Stover. All voted in favor with an abstention from Nyland who was not at the 2/16/23 meeting. **AYES: (8) Schalkoff, Rashdi, Kaufman, Danielewicz, Stover, Randolph, Molloy, Pick; NAYES: (0); ABSTENTIONS: (1) Nyland**

**Elect Chair, Vice-Chair**

Members Pinder and Paulsen joined at 7:28 pm. Staff member Janway provided an overview of the Chair and Vice-Chair positions. Members discussed the positions and asked staff to inquire whether co-chairs would be allowable under their current charter due to bandwidth limitations by CAT members. Danielewicz nominated Pick for Co-Chair, seconded by Stover. All voted in favor. **AYES: (11) Paulsen, Schalkoff, Rashdi, Kaufman, Nyland, Pinder, Danielewicz, Stover, Randolph, Molloy, Pick; NAYES: (0).**

Molly nominated Schalkoff as a second Co-Chair, seconded by Pick. All voted in favor. **AYES: (11) Paulsen, Schalkoff, Rashdi, Kaufman, Nyland, Pinder, Danielewicz, Stover, Randolph, Molloy, Pick (0).**

Pick and Schalkoff made a joint motion to nominate Molloy as Vice-Chair, seconded by Danielewicz. All voted in favor. **AYES: (11) Paulsen, Schalkoff, Rashdi, Kaufman, Nyland, Pinder, Danielewicz, Stover, Randolph, Molloy, Pick; NAYES: (0).**

**Discussion Items**

**Draft FY23-24 Environmental Sustainability Work Plan**

Staff member Janway provided a presentation of the Draft FY23-24 Environmental Sustainability Work Plan. Town Council Member Haven-O’Donnell requested that the tree species signage be considered for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Park. Member Danielewicz mentioned her interest in the deer study and Pick mentioned his interest in curbside composting. Staff member Janway indicated she would share the Community Climate Action Plan, Energy and Climate Protection Plan, and the Town’s 2017 Solid Waste Study with CAT members. Schalkoff asked if the CAT could provide input on the next iteration of the Community Climate Action Plan Survey. Molloy asked about sharing

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food waste reduction outreach. Kaufman asked if someone in the Town was looking at Inflation Reduction Act programs and if not, she could point them in the right direction. Molloy provided a suggestion for the CAT to set up a booth at the Farmers' Market with Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) information. Town Council Member Slade suggested that they could enlist High School students as volunteers to knock on doors with IRA outreach. Member Danielewicz mentioned that the visitors to the Farmers' Market are mostly white and they should think about how they can involve the entire town. Molloy mentioned an idea to create a translation plan for the CAT to outline the actions board members can take.

Nyland asked about how the CAT could participate in the Building Code Council and HB488 and S378. Town Council Member Slade said that the CAT could provide a resolution to ask the Council how to intervene or move forward as a Town. Nyland made a motion to approve the following statement: "We support revisions to the NC Building Code to bring it up to international standards, help citizens with rising energy costs, and protect our environment." Molloy seconded the motion. All voted in favor. **AYES: (11) Paulsen, Schalkoff, Rashdi, Kaufman, Nyland, Pinder, Danielewicz, Stover, Randolph, Molloy, Pick; NAYES: (0).**

### **Plan for Earth Day and Future Outreach Events**

Staff member Janway provided an overview of planned events for Earth Day. Molloy suggested a quiz that homeowners could take about their carbon footprints. Town Council member Haven-O'Donnell asked if the Town was still participating and promoting No Mow May and staff member Janway confirmed that the Town had plans to participate again this year.

### **Discussion Topics**

- **Weatherization**
- **Green Neighborhoods Program**
- **Invasive Species**

CAT members did not address this item at the meeting.

### **Adjourn**

Nyland left the meeting at 9:10 pm. Motion by Kaufman to adjourn, seconded by Pick. All voted in favor. **AYES: (10) Rashdi, Stover, Randolph, Molloy, Danielewicz, Paulsen, Pinder, Kaufman, Schalkoff, Pick; NAYES: (0).** The meeting adjourned at 9:12 pm.