



CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 27, 2019 (COUNCIL CHAMBERS)

Chair Tim Ellis opened the meeting at 6:00 pm.

In attendance were Mayor Gregerson, Council President Cook, Committee members Mari Atkinson, Debbie King, Nicholas Ness, Allison Woodbury, Executive Assistant Nancy Passovoy, and Eliza Kirk.

Absent were Councilmember Richard Emery and Ann Swadener.

Guests: Lauren Balisky, Planning Manager from the City of Mukilteo, and Kristina Melnichenko.

The committee members each discussed news articles related to climate change, including the move of Indonesia's capital due to rising sea levels, a local suit to protect resident orcas- whose numbers are down to just 72, Washington Department of Ecology's expansion of space in between parking lots and bodies of water, energy efficiency, an unexpectedly low amount of salmon near Fraser Island (4.8 million were expected but only 628,000 arrived), the elongation of American coal trains, Mukilteo's Green Business Certification Program, the fires raging in the Amazon rainforest, the loss of a whole glacier near Blanca Lake, and the lack of a recycling program in the Mukilteo School District.

Lauren, the City of Mukilteo Planning Manager, talked about the duties of her department and areas the committee could potentially investigate in order to prepare the report for December. This included the comprehensive plan and its optional solar/conservation element, review of development regulations, the Bike/Walk/Transit Plan, and the incentivization of clean energy- among other topics. Committee members asked questions and added to Lauren's information.



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Chris added information about Mukilteo's Park Impact Fees and park acquisition, and how those processes work.

Debbie King, representative for the Climate Reality Project, gave a presentation that focused on the climate crisis and possible solutions the committee could suggest Mukilteo utilize (The 2035 Comp Plan).

The committee reviewed the resolution and decided to focus solely on clean energy ideas for the December proposal to the City Council.

Tim assigned each committee member to select five ways to move Mukilteo towards 100% clean energy and to also complete a home energy survey.

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Ellis at 8:03 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 25, 2019 at 6:00pm in Council Chambers.

*Eliza Kirk*

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Eliza Kirk, Co-Secretary