

Northport Climate Resilience Committee

Minutes

Wed. April 22, 2026, 9:00 am

Northport Town Office

Present: Pat Gladding, Sue Conard, Shelley Fein, Karen Gleeson, James Kossuth, Steve Fein, Tinsley Morrison, Celine Bewsher, Molly Schauffler

- A. **Spring Roadside Clean-up** Sat May 9, 8-noon. Pat reviewed details: Clean-up Day is in good shape, flyers are around, Spark Bagel committed, still working on Scone Goddess. We have gloves, bags, and safety vests from Hannaford and Hammond; will have a bucket where people can drop them off afterwards; Celine following up with school; Starting at 8.

Pat announced an upcoming program about plastics in Waldo County on Sunday from 2-4 at the UU Church. WCCAC is passing out an aspirational plastics pledge for organizations to agree to. Sue will bring the pledge next time to discuss.

- B. **Spring Workshop – Wed. April 29, 6 pm Drinkwater School:**

Logistics:

- a. Set up round tables. Celine will ask Godon if he can pick up 6 pizzas from Bayside Store at 5:45. Pat will have water jug, Bring paper cups, napkins, small plates (who?)
- b. Materials to have: Med. sized vulnerability map to hang on wall; Compost Pilot sign up sheets, Roadside Clean-up Day half-posters (Tinsley); List of resilience actions so far, list of last year's vulnerability concerns (James)

Agenda:

- A. Resilience mission statement (James); Ask folks what resilience (in Northport) means to them
- B. Review activities so far (James) (shoreline stabilization, Temple Hts project, solar,
- C. Review vulnerability concerns from last year (list on each table)
- D. Tables: (People sitting at round tables, unassigned seating)
 - i. What rapid changes do you see that most affect (you? Northport?)
 - ii. What resilience issues concern you most now? (short term? Long term?)
 - iii. What are some specific actions the Town could take to respond to concerns?

- E. Review upcoming projects: Compost Pilot (What would facilitate Baysiders to participate?) and Stormwater Assessment.
 - F. Sign up for Free Compost Pilot
- C. **CRP Grant (Round 6):** Introduce at April 29 Workshop, have sign-ups there. Can't spend money until paperwork is done.
- D. **CRP Grant (Round 7)** Discussed next steps. Steve, Susan, James, and Molly will meet first to focus a plan and then meet with Donna Kelly from WCAP who is interested in helping/collaborating. Steve listed related CRP actions: C1 (Energy coaching), C2 (Energy assistance program), and possibly G2 (Strategies to reach vulnerable individuals). Our approach might involve hiring someone to coordinate/conduct our needs assessment. What data do we need to collect? What is the extent of need in Northport? Short and long-term benefits to gathering info about housing energy needs? Pilot a program of active outreach?
- E. **ME Infrastructure Grant:** MIAF grant due in 3-4 weeks; James will use student results to get official design plans, then apply for infrastructure next year when we have Stormwater assessment results;
- F. **DM&J Recycling Field Trip:** Molly will arrange in May

Next meeting: Wed. May 13 9:00

Adjourned 10:05