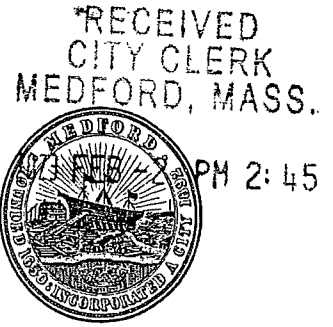




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Medford Energy & Environment Committee
City Hall Room 205
Medford, MA 02155
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Medford Energy & Environment Committee (MEEC) Agenda

February 6, 2023 @ 6:30 PM

Via Zoom Virtual Meeting Connection (connection information below)

Office of Energy and Environment: Alicia Hunt

Committee Members: Gaston Fiore (co-chair), Benji Hiller, Barry Ingber, Laretta James, Kathleen McKenna, Luke McKneally, Martha Ondras, Bob Paine, Jessica Parks, John Rogers, and Paul Taslimi (co-chair).

AGENDA

Time	Details
6:30-7:00	Administration. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Greetings, roll call, and introductions of guests. 2. Review of minutes from January 6, 2023. 3. Administrative updates from Alicia Hunt. 4. Review of committee meeting dates for 2023.
7:00-7:30 Discussion All	Suggested priorities for MEEC in 2023 I wanted to ask everyone to provide some input into our priorities for 2023. The following list contains many of the previous priorities that the committee has advocated and focused on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Annual organization of the Harvest Your Energy Festival at the McGlynn Middle School. 2. Support and promote electrification of public transport 3. Support and promote tree equity across Medford and in particular in areas where there is a paucity of canopy (through our continuing cooperation with Trees Medford) 4. Presentation of the Green Awards to Medford residents and businesses that have made substantial contributions to our local environment. 5. Engagement of High School students in support of various environmental issues.

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- a) How can we help increase engagement?
 - b) Solid waste initiative at the High School?
 - c) What happened to the High school orchard idea?
 - d) Other Projects ideas?
6. Attending and participating in community events to provide education and outreach to Medford residents regarding energy and environment issues.
 7. Developing urban meadows in Medford?
 8. Other ideas and initiatives?

7:30-7:40 Any updates on tree and leaf-blower ordinances?

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7:40-8:20 Presentation: How to:

Paul Use iTree Canopy Software

Use iTree Landscape software

8:20-8:30 Other business

Community Development is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Energy and Environment Commission Meeting

Time: January 9, 2023 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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<https://medfordenergy.org/gogreen/medford-energy-committee/>

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Gaston Fiore (co-chair): Gaston believes that an environmental education campaign leveraging our youth, encouraging active forms of transportation (pedestrian and bicycle), and making green technologies reachable to low-income households are key to achieving world-class environmental sustainability for Medford. Gaston has a background in AI and machine learning and has experience in self-driving cars and demand modeling to medicine. He has BS and MS degrees in Aerospace Engineering from MIT, and an MS in Computer Science from Harvard.



Benjamin ("Benjie") Hiller: is a now retired lawyer. He has a Masters degree in biology/ecology. He spent most of his career engaged in toxic tort litigation, specializing in representing children harmed by lead poisoning. Back in the 1970s and 1980s, he was part of the Clamshell Alliance which fought to prevent the construction of the Seabrook Nuclear Power Plant and which brought the dangers of nuclear power to the attention of the world.

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