

Just Transitions Subcommittee of the Vermont Climate Council April 29, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: April 29, 2021 4–6 PM: Meeting recorded and [posted online](#).

Subcommittee Members Present: Sue Minter, Sarah Phillips, Kiah Morris, Jennifer Myka, Madi Tiedt on behalf of Kelly Klein, Danielle Bombardier, Chris Campany, Nadia Marquez Pabst, Kashka Orlow

Staff Present: Jane Lazorchak, Liz Shields, Amanda Carlson, Abbey Willard, David Plumb, Ross McDonald, Claire McIlvennie

- 4:06 PM Welcome
- Nadia facilitating meeting today - Happy early May Day – recognition of May 1st International Day of Workers Rights
 - Check In – Introductions & if you had an extra hour a day what would you do?
- Review & Approval of Agenda and [4/22/21 Minutes](#)
- Approved
- Additional Announcements
- New subcommittee member Kashka Orlow introduced herself and shared her background
- 4:20 PM Member Spotlight – Chris Campany
- Hails from SW Virginia - family and schooling in Mississippi
 - Work history includes work for EPA, ag policy, teaching landscape architecture, work as a planner
 - Many job experiences centered around fairness, justice and equity
- Questions from fellow subcommittee members for Chris:
- Abby asked about closing of VT Yankee, lessons learned?
 - Chris spoke to importance of learning from others who went through the same process – many skilled employees left area – big economic loss for the area – lesson to diversify economy – how do we preserve jobs as industries shift?
 - What can you share about your experiences living in culturally diverse areas like the south?
 - Many in the north don't feel like we don't have any biases – we do and it's a long process, that takes awareness and reckoning
- 4:41 PM Draft Guiding Principles
- Reviewed document as a group – acknowledgment that this is a living, evolving document
 - Group discussed synthesis of brainstorming activity last week, suggested additions and clarifications, see recording for details
- 5:38 PM Public Comment
- Pat Siguai spoke, her comments can be viewed in the video
 - Jennifer Ramstetter spoke, her comments can be viewed in the video

- Steve Crowley spoke, his comments can be viewed in video
- Carl Bayer spoke, his comments can be viewed in video

6:05 PM Reporting Back from Other Sub Committees & Full Council Meeting – subject deferred

6:05 PM Community Listen – deferred to next week

6:05 PM Adjourn

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