



Town of Ashland

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Sustainability Committee Agenda

Committee Members

Ashwin Ratanchandani (Chair) Samantha Riley (Sustainability Manager)
Cara Camerato-Hulme
Amanda Flies
Zack Fey
Reshum Aurora
Todd Ching

March 19, 2026
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

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Topic Projected Time

Citizen Participation 7:00 – 7:10 PM

Review and Approve Previous Minutes 7:10 – 7:15 PM

2026 Priorities 7:15 – 7:50 PM

- Sustainable Building best practices training
 - **Next step:** Cara to meet with Glen and continue developing topics for this resource, look into public Google drive folder for hosting resource
- [Skip the stuff](#)
 - **Next step:** Ash drafted bylaw and will move forward with finalizing language by 3/23, to consult Ashland Business Association/Downtown business association, Board of Health, and local business owners
 - **Next step:** To discuss scheduling of public hearings at next meeting
- Community Solar (to reassess keeping this as a priority in May 2026)
 - **Next step:** Discussing possible projects in Ashland including Ashland Commuter rail parking lot, trying to get in contact with Connect Church to discuss, and getting plans from solar companies



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Quick Updates on Standing Topics 7:50 – 8:00 PM

- Ashland Public Schools Engagement
 - **Next step:** Amanda to connect with High School Environmental Club teacher lead
- Event Planning
 - Hopkinton Annual Recycling Day - April 4th
 - Ashland Earth Day Sunday - April 26th (rain date May 3rd)
 - Town meeting Wednesday - May 6th
- ZBA Meeting coverage
 - **Next step:** Todd to email ZBA to ask for suggestions for how we could be more effective collaborators
- Select board member engagement

Energize Ashland Updates 8:00 – 8:10 PM

- Planning a plastics event - date pending
- [Join the newsletter](#) for regular updates on sustainability in Ashland!

Sustainability Manager Updates 8:10 – 8:20 PM

- Updates on senior center insulation/HVAC project
- Black Earth resident recommendation form

Any other Business 8:20 – 8:25 PM

- Discussion of new/current members
- Role call for next meeting
- [MA Climate Action Network newsletter](#)
- [MA Sierra Club newsletter](#)

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