

Enfield Energy Committee Minutes: 1/10/17

Attending: Charlie DePuy, Charlie Clark, Phil Vermeer, Wendell Smith, Jim Fenn, Kim Quirk

Discussion of the PPA Proposal:

Charlie sent out the suggested RFP for a Power Purchase Agreement for solar on the roof of the DPW. There was some discussion on the details of the RFP and exactly what we are asking for as well as the process once the bids are in. Phil suggested adding a question on warranty, reliability, and business/owner info.

Charlie will send the proposals out to bidders: EE, Revision, and Norwich Technology as soon as possible (hopefully this evening). They will be due back Feb 6 at which point the Committee will meet Feb 6 to discuss and make a recommendation to the Select Board.

Jim recommends David Bradley (Stebbins & Bradley) if the Town needs a lawyer because David has worked on the PPA with Cardigan.

Discussion of the annual Town Report:

Kim suggested changing the first paragraph to reflect the positive results of the Solarize program that started in 2015 -- there were 16 Enfield contracts, averaging 6kW each, or about 96kW of solar installed in 2016.

Other Projects:

Streetlights - Jim talked with Jill Fitzpatrick and she said April is when we can talk about getting streetlights replaced with LEDs.

Charlie Clark reported on the status of the LED bulb replacements for the police department. The holding cell area had failing ballast so 10 bulbs were replaced with LED. The project is complete and Chief Crate is looking forward to completing the conversion of the rest of the PD soon. There have been some issues with the timers at the DPW shutting the light off when the facilities are in use. Charlie has contacted the manufacturer and is able to program the switches for a longer on-time window.

Charlie presented a lighting project for the library. We have the bulbs in stock to proceed. Charlie will help with an RFP for an electrician to install the lights. The project should be able to move forward soon.

