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MINUTES FOR STRATHAM ENERGY COMMISSION (SEC) MEETING Wednesday – November 9, 2016 Location: Stratham Municipal Center / Conference Room B

Committee Members: (present in bold)

- Michael Ream
- **Matthew O’Keefe**
- **Michael Gorman**
- **Charlie Case**
- **Michael Welty**
- **Paul Deschaine** (Town Manager)
- **Guest: Stratham town resident Lester Cuff Jr.**

7:04 PM Call to order

- 1.) Meeting minutes from September 14, 2016 were approved. There was no SEC meeting in October. not available at time of meeting.
- 2.) Discuss HVAC work at the Police Station
 - a. Report made certain recommendations made, SEC / Matt O’Keefe fed back comments ie., ASHRAE standards for thermostat settings.
 - b. Report described a ductwork issue discovered... issue remediated. Early user feedback positive (improved comfort).
 - c. No further work planned at this time other then ductwork.
- 3.) Solar Proposal Update
 - a. SEC gone back to the vendor to our single supplier of choice ... [more info needed].
 - b. Town member Lester Cuff Jr. shared his experience from 2012 on putting a solar unit on his home in Stratham using ReVision Energy. Has been and continues to be a strong proponent of solar panel usage in the town of Statham. Wants to continue to offer his service in this capacity to the SEC and to the town. SEC will work with Mr. Cuff to host an information session in the near future, likely January 2017.
 - c. Firehouse is the best first target due to load. Benefits of a ground mount unit discussed vs that of a roof mounted. Ground mount allows for more surface area, thought needs to be in near proximity to the load, and requires the land.

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- d. SEC will request time at an upcoming Board of Selectman meeting (21Nov16) to present our recommendations as previously submitted.
 - 4.) Article – Stratham Magazine
 - a. No update this month.
 - 5.) Portfolio Manager update
 - a. Data is updated through Dec 2015
 - b. Paul Deschaine has provided Matt O’Keefe with YTD data for entry into PM.
 - c. Will populate for data through June 2016.
 - 6.) Electric Contracts
 - a. Renewals due in January 2017
 - b. NextEra [???] best price is \$0.0766/kWh. Can go month to month or 6month terms.
 - c. Two others Mega energy 1yr \$0.071/kWh.
 - d. Unitil Sept 1 – May 31 will be \$0.073/kWh. Published rates discussed. Mike Welty estimates roughly a \$0.065c avg/month over 1 year. 1year is the minimum term allowed with Unitil. Some uncertainty as expected with 2nd half pricing in this estimate. SEC recommends the town stick with Unitil for a 1 year term, commencing in January 2017. Confirm if switching back that the town is placed on the fixed rate tariff, and not the variable rate plan.
 - 7.) New Business
 - a. None this month.
 - 8.) Adjourn 8:21
 - 9.) Next Meeting Dec 14, 2016.

Respectfully submitted by,
Mike Gorman

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