

Meeting Minutes (approved 1/19/2012)
Wayland Energy Initiatives Advisory Committee
December 7, 2011
7:30 p.m.
Planning Board Office

Members present: Anne Harris, Ellen Tohn, Tom Sciacca, Bill Huss, Harvey Michaels
Members absent: None
Ex-officio members present: none
Ex-officio members absent: John Moynihan, Fred Turkington
Also present: John Bladon, Dave Watkins

Solar Photovoltaic options

Dave Watkins of the Economic Development Committee presented the Energy Committee with follow up information on solar PV. He compiled a list of all town parcels and gave them a preliminary prioritization as to suitability for PV. This list would need to be reviewed by Town officials to further whittle down. He sees solar PV as a possible money maker for the town in a number of ways. We could obtain energy at a fixed, discounted rate. Wayland currently has a below market energy deal; we would need to know what we're getting now.

We would then need to have someone, a paid professional or otherwise, go to each site on the refined list and evaluate for energy and engineering considerations. Dave estimates cost at about \$1500/site. Then we could put out an RFP. He recommends being as specific as possible as to our goals: lease the land? Loan the land? etc.

We proposed the following next steps:

1. Meet with Brian Moynihan (Conservation), Sarki (Planning), Tom (or someone from Wellhead) to go through list of possible PV sites and knock off the ones with conflicts--alternative uses, conservation, etc. "Internal vetting meeting"
2. Look at RFPs--either circulate via email and/or schedule a meeting to solicit input. This could be a public meeting; would need to be posted.
3. Prepare a draft RFP to then give to Fred for final touches. RFP could also include methane at landfill site.

Action Items:

Dave--find 3 or 4 RFPs that would make a good template and circulate to committee members for comment.
Ellen--solicit folks to review and get input
Anne--post meetings--internal vetting meeting as well as public meeting once dates are set. Send copies of audits to Dave for TB, HH—they give solar capacity.
John Bladon--speak with Fred about plan.

Efficiency Forward, talks with NGRID, NSTAR

Harvey wanted to remind us that the offer Frank Gundal of NSTAR made to Fred of sharing costs for a deep energy retrofit of one building is still on the table. Once we

decide whether we are moving forward on the regional ESCO we can decide whether or not to act on this.

MAPC Regional Energy Manager

Ellen and Anne participated in a conference call on this topic on 11/30/11. We think Wayland should submit a commitment letter to participate in this, providing MAPC receives the CIC grant that will fund it. It would provide a shared energy manager, perhaps for one day a week. The position would be partially funded with grant money the first year but costs would be shared by the towns after that.

Action items:

Ellen—contact Fred to discuss; letter deadline 12/15

Anne—forward MAPC email and attachments to John Bladon, Ellen

John—meet with Fred to coordinate Selectmen's approval at 12/12 meeting

MAPC Regional ESCO

MAPC is close to selecting the contractor. Once that is done they will schedule a meeting to discuss next steps, most likely in January.

MAPC Local Energy Action Program (LEAP) grant

Anne and Ellen completed the application and will submit it once all letters of support are collected. We will secure Selectmen's approval (we hope) at 12/12 meeting and submit by 12/15 deadline.

Streetlights

John Moynihan would like the approval of the Planning Board and the Selectmen before giving NSTAR the go ahead to proceed with HPS. Sarki also would like to leave the lights in the historic district/town center unchanged to allow for more aesthetic options. He applied for a grant that would cover the expenses of those streetlights.

Action items:

Ellen and Anne will meet with Sarki Monday, 12/12 to confirm his support

John Moynihan—still wants to look at new lights in daylight and night before putting to boards

Emergency generators/Enernoc

Action item: Harvey will follow up with Enernoc and propose idea.

DOER GC Grant

Lighting projects at middle school set to begin on 12/22 and be done over the school break. If not completed by end of break, they will finish work at night. Anne distributed chart showing redistribution of Green Community funds now that lighting cost more than planned.

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