

Meeting Minutes (approved 8/13/14, 4-0)
Wayland Energy Initiatives Advisory Committee
Tuesday, July 9, 2014
7:30 p.m.
School Committee small Conference Room

Members present: Bill Huss, Tom Sciacca, Anne Harris, Harvey Michaels
Members Absent: Ellen Tohn
Ex-officio Member absent: John Moynihan
Also present:
Wayland residents: Corinne Lenk

Minutes from 5-8-14 and 6-10-14 approved unanimously.

Community Resiliency Grant

Corinne reported on application we submitted to MAPC, who will coordinate our submission to DOER. Grant is for Technical Advising; result will be a feasibility study for the possibility of backup solar power at Wayland's Town Emergency Shelter at the Middle School. If project viable, we will need to submit an application for the project in October. Wayland must match 10%; can be up to 50% in kind. Thanks to Corinne for coordinating that submission! Topics raised: storage will be the key.

Municipal Solar Projects

Anne and Bill returned to the Board of Public Works on June 11. The Board essentially agreed to sign if the Selectmen approved, but felt the entire Happy Hollow well site should be excluded in the interests of protecting the Town's water supply. The Committee presented the Letter of Intent to the Selectmen on 6/16/14, along with the School Committee's and Board of Public Works' comments and qualifications. The Selectmen voted to authorize Interim Town Administrator Bob Mercier to sign the LOI. On 7/26/14 the Board of Public Works signed the LOI with the exclusion of the well site noted. Signed Letter of Intent sent to Ameresco on 7/1/14.

Good news on the OATA (Owner's Agent Technical Assistance) grant: DOER says it will be possible to apply for OATA money for both solar AND ESCO projects in this round. Anne will submit application on August 1. Also, we have approximately \$1700 of Solarize support money left and the Transition group supported our using it toward an Owner's Agent Services for solar development in town.

Energy Improvements Project with Ameresco (ESCO)

Mark Lanza and John Moynihan are completing their review of the contract and negotiations with Ameresco. The agreed upon contract will be presented to the Selectmen later in July for their authorization to sign. Members of the Energy Committee should be present to discuss if it will be an agenda item (vs. on the consent calendar). We hope to be able to start some of the construction projects in the schools this summer before that window of time closes.

Qualified Energy Conservation Bond applications will be accepted starting July 17. We will need the support of the town's financial advisors as it appears from the application the Town needs to demonstrate evidence of financing. Anne will follow up with Elise Avers at the DOER and town officials.

The Committee discussed having Ameresco present an update at our next meeting, August 13, on solar progress as well as present an example of the baseline reporting for the ESCO. The Committee discussed inviting the Selectmen to this meeting as some members have a particular concern about the baseline reporting. It was felt that a September date would be better if we wanted a larger audience.

Green Communities Grant Application

Still waiting for an update on grant application status.

LED Streetlight Pilot-NStar

No new information.

Miscellaneous

We will plan on meeting Aug. 13.

Meeting adjourned at 9 pm.

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