Draft Meeting Minutes (approved 6/8/2016 4-0) Wayland Energy Initiatives Advisory Committee Wednesday, 5/11/2016, 7:30 pm Selectmen's Meeting Room

Members present: Anne Harris, Harvey Michaels, Bill Huss, Tom Sciacca; Ellen Tohn joined by

phone for discussion of streetlights

Members absent: none

Associate members present: John Harper **Ex-Officio member present**: Ben Keefe

Streetlights

Bill Huss and Ben Keefe updated Committee on progress of streetlight project. Town Counsel has reviewed and approved the contract from Eversource to purchase the lights, though it will not be signed until work is ready to proceed. The contract from Tanko differed slightly from the MAPC template, so it was sent to MAPC for their review. Ben reports he received it back from MAPC today and will forward to Town Counsel.

Bill reported on a letter received from a resident with epilepsy who was concerned about a lighting change causing flicker as he can get seizures. Bill researched the topic and consulted with several experts, summarizing his findings in a letter to be sent to the Selectmen.

Municipal Solar Projects

Foundations for the steel solar parking canopies were installed over break at the High School and Middle School. He met with neighbors to discuss the project schedule which will be over the summer, excepting Sundays.

Ben also received a letter from the Wayland Pool administration requesting the poles Eversource recently placed for the project be moved. Ben and John met representatives from the pool, Eversource, and Ameresco at the site and worked out a possible relocation of the poles. Ben requested the Committee's recommendation for next steps..

The Committee moved as follows:

"The Energy Initiatives Advisory Committee supports Ben Keefe's proposal to request that Ameresco have Eversource adjust the placement of the utility poles recently placed in front of the Wayland Town Pool to minimize their undesirable aesthetic impact." Motion passed 4-0.

John Harper reported he has been working with Mark Lanza and Ellen Brideau to finalize the details of the structured tax agreement with Ameresco. Ameresco is reviewing the Town's suggested changes. Once the tax agreement text is agreed, John will present to Selectmen for their review and authorization for execution by the Town.

Resiliency Grant

Ben Keefe reports DOER has signed contract with MAPC and forwarded to us for review; he has not had a chance to review it yet. Next step is the Town to issue a RFP for the resiliency work and equipment.

Energy Saving Performance project (ESCO)

Ben signed substantial completion contract last month. Tracking of results will begin 12 - 18 months after that date. All \$250,000 of the Green Communities grant money has been paid to Wayland by DOER. Congratulations and thanks to Ben for submitting the final report and closing out the grant!

Energy Contracts/MAPC Peak Notification Program

Ben just finished negotiating contracts for our gas and electric supply, locking in prices for 3 years. They are all in, fixed prices that include embedded demand, so there is no need to avoid peak demand for the next 3 years.

Review Municipal Water Department Energy Usage

At Tom's suggestion, the Committee looked over the energy usage for the Baldwin Pond Water Treatment Plant and the Happy Hollow Wells. The Baldwin Pond plant was completed after the Green Communities baseline was established and so is not included in our baseline energy use. When Tom was on the Wellhead Protection Committee, the Water Department policy was to use Baldwin Pond as the primary well to meet town water demand and Happy Hollow in high use periods, which would be expected over the summer. Looking at usage data, it seems both well locations are being used throughout the year. Since Baldwin uses more energy than Happy Hollow, could the town consider using Happy Hollow as the primary wells in the winter, decreasing use of Baldwin? He proposed inviting Don Millett, Water Department Head to a future meeting to discuss. Anne will contact Don.

Miscellaneous

Meeting minutes from 3/30/16 approved 4-0. Next meeting proposed for Wednesday, June 8 Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm as per agenda

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