

Meeting Minutes (approved 5/17/17)
Wayland Energy Initiatives Advisory Committee
Tuesday, March 14, 2017, 7:30 pm
Planning Dept. Conference Room

Members present: Anne Harris, Tom Sciacca, Harvey Michaels, Bill Huss; Ellen Tohn attended via speaker phone

Members absent: none

Associate members present: John Harper, via phone

Ex-Officio member present: Ben Keefe

Guests: Kaat VanderStraeten, Transition Wayland

Green Communities Grant

Anne reported that the Green Communities grant was submitted by our Technical Advisor Axum Teferra to the DOER on March 3. The Green Communities Annual Report we submitted to the DOER in December showed we have so far achieved a 19% reduction in energy use from the FY2010 baseline year. If we receive the current year Green Communities grant, it predicts an additional 2% reduction which would bring us over the 20% reduction goal laid out in the town's plan required for Green Communities status.

Green Mobility Purchasing Program

Ben submitted a letter of interest regarding this program to MAPC. We have no obligation to participate but may choose to do so.

Solarize Program

Kaat reports our application was submitted to the Clean Energy Center. Kaat submitted on behalf of Wayland, and Lincoln and Sudbury submitted their own as well.

Energize Wayland

Kaat gave a recap of the 2/20 Energize meeting at the Peace Lutheran church. Richard Moon (Natick) developed a question sheet and is contacting MassSave Home Performance Contractors to see which one the three towns might want to partner with.

MCAN/ICLEI Membership

At an earlier meeting the Energy Committee had decided to ask the Selectmen to approve our becoming an MCAN member chapter. The Committee now discussed also joining ICLEI as well, so as to have access to other towns' databases for greenhouse gas emissions tracking, etc. There is a \$600 fee for ICLEI membership. The GHG tracking can also be time consuming and we are not sure we have staff.

The Committee discussed requesting \$1000 from the Selectmen and using the remaining \$400 to cover additional data entry. Ellen will follow up with a request to the Selectmen.

Committee Name Change

The Committee discussed a name change to better reflect our mission. The suggestion was "The Energy and Climate Advisory Committee"

The Committee moved to request approval for the name as described; the motion was approved 4-0.

Streetlights

This project is on hold pending the Green Communities grant status. The grant amount received will reflect our funding/financing of this project.

Municipal Solar Projects

Ben is working with Ameresco to install monitors of the solar arrays and production at the high school and Town Building. There is an issue at the high school with an open data feed that they are working on.

Miscellaneous

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Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm

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