Carey Bergeron, Chair

Lawrence Ellsworth, Member

Alex Siekierski, Member

Kristen Rice, Member

Jason Raposa, Member

John Foresto, Bd Slctmn

Stephanie Carlisle, Staff Contact



**Energy and Sustainability Committee**

**March 4, 2020**

 **7:15 PM**

**Medway Public Library, Conference Room, 26 High Street**

**Members present:** Carey Bergeron, Kristen Rice, Jason Reposa, Stephanie Carlisle

**Also present:** David Travalini, ComCom Chair, Matthew and Logan Thomsen of Eagle Scout Troop

**Absent:** Lawrence Ellsworth, Alex Siekierski

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* **Call to Order - *Carey called the meeting to order at 7:14pm.***
* **Public Comments**
	+ Matthew and Logan Thomsen of Medway Eagle Scout Troop were attending the meeting to learn about the MESC and how Town Committees function in order to earn a merit badge.
* **Report from the Chair**
	+ Annual report is due to the Town on March 5, 2020. Asked the committee if there was anything missing from the report. Committee added participation in Clean Sweep and Medway Pride Day, special guest speakers from Harvard Business School Energy Manager and Environment Massachusetts, became member of the Charles River Climate Compact, provided assistance to DPW and BOS in deciding between a Power Purchase Agreement or purchasing solar panels outright.
* **New Business**
	+ MESC has decided to create subcommittees assigned to five different topics in order to have more flexibility with scheduling, move initiatives along and make more tangible changes and contributions in Town. The MESC will still meet once per month, but will be able to work in groups of two throughout the month. Each subcommittee will have a lead member and a sub member. Roughly one week prior to the monthly meeting, the subcommittees will inform Stephanie Carlisle, the DPW Staff contact, who is ready to report to the committee and public at large. She will then post that on the agenda.
	+ The subcommittee topics and some initial objectives are as follows:
		- **Energy Reduction**
			* Update the 5 Year Energy Reduction Plan
			* Explore the option to update the baseline year set through the Green Communities Grant
			* Temperature Set Point Policy
			* Consolidating committee and board meetings to reduce energy consumption
		- **Recycling and Composting**
			* Composting at schools
			* Town-wide collection
			* Individual residential collection
		- **Community Choice Aggregation (CCA)**
		- **Solar Power**
			* Solar on school roofs or on parking lot canopy
			* Municipal and residential
			* Solar panel regulation
		- **Outreach and Marketing**
			* Cross-promoting committees
			* MESC T-shirts
			* Website update
			* Clean Sweep, Medway Pride Day, and other community event coordination
* **Action Items**
	+ Ask if a subcommittee can work with non-members.
	+ Ask for assistance with revising the MESC Charter.
* **Next Meeting**
	+ Review subcommittee topics and add anything that’s missing
	+ Assign members to subcommittees
	+ Discuss Clean Sweep participation and Medway Pride Day preparation
	+ Discuss going in front of the BoS with an updated committee agenda/ charter by June 2020
* **Adjourn – *Kristen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:06pm. Jason seconded the motion and it was voted to approve 3-0-0.***