

Medway Energy Committee

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John Foresto, Bd Slctmn
Robert Tucker, PEDB

MINUTES

Meeting Notes: September 1, 2016

Meeting Location: High School Cable Studio

Approved: February 15, 2017

1 Call to Order:

Carey Bergeron called the September meeting of the Medway Energy Committee to order at 7:20 PM.

The attendees were Carey Bergeron, Shelley Wieler, Matt DeSorbo, and the Town Energy Manager, Robert (Bob) Weiss.

Attendees:	6/15/16	8/17/16	9/1/16	10/19/16	11/16/16	1/18/17	2/15/17	3/15/17	4/19/17	5/17/17
Energy Manager	X	X	X							
Carey Bergeron, Ch	X	X	X							
Matt DeSorbo			X							
Larry Ellsworth	X									
Paul Mahoney										
Shelley Wieler, vice Ch	X	X	X							
Sebastian Downs										
Diane Borgatti										
John Foresto										
Bob Tucker		X								

2 Update from Medway Energy Manager:

Re. Green Communities Grants - creating controls for internal review - 4-step process:

- Lawyer
- Town
- Contractor
- Town

The grants currently in use for lighting at Police station, EMS, Fire and Library. Progress is being made toward completing the street lights.

Bob's contract is up for renewal in front of the Board of Selectmen on Sept.6.

3 Report from the Chair:

Carey has spoken with a highly qualified volunteer to the committee: Sebastian Downs. He will put his application and resume into the town manager's office. Committee agreed to support this application.

Shelley spoke with Paul Mahoney, who has been over-committed and unable to attend meetings. Paul plans to resign from the Energy Committee to free the space for another member. Remaining members need to actively recruit.

Carey saw discussions on town Facebook site about community aggregation. Committee agrees she can respond as an individual who is part of the Energy Committee to help stem mis-information. Bob to create a Community Aggregation TimeLine that we can post on our website, and link from Facebook, the school newsletter, etc. ** ACTION ITEM **

5 Reports from Members: none

6 Old Business:

Municipal Aggregation

Discussion about duration of contract with town - 1 year up to 3 years. One goal of committee is to ensure minimal green content is same as Eversource is required to supply.

Discussion about contractor: Carey likes smaller, more local presence; giving a good feeling for the town: Colonial Power.

Matt prefers Colonial, feeling that its size will make it more flexible to our terms; a glossy national-scale presentation not as important as being accessible and responsive to our needs.

Shelley is concerned that Colonial may not be large enough to provide sufficient marketing materials and presence, but the experience of other communities with Colonial has been positive.

Bob clarified that the supplier chosen through the process will help the consultant. The consultant created the Plan with town input; both to help decide what we want, and to make it happen within our constraints.

MOVED: To recommend to the Board of Selectmen that we sign a contract with Colonial Power to be the Medway consultant for community aggregation. - Matt DeSorbo

SECOND: Shelley Wieler VOTES - unanimous approval

7 New Business: None

8 Review Action Items:

Action	Assigned to	Deadline	
Provide Green Communities quarterly report to committee	Bob	Ongoing	
Subcommittee for preparing list of incentives and rebate opportunities	Larry	Ongoing	
Net Metering Agreement progress	Shelley/Bob	Ongoing	
Create outreach newsletter	Carey and Larry	Ongoing	
Starter paragraph for newsletter topic	All	Ongoing	
TimeLine for Cmnty Aggrgtn	Bob	Oct	

9 MEC Meeting Adjournment:

7:50 PM Move to adjourn by Shelley; second by Larry. Unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted, Shelley Wieler