

Energy Committee Meeting
Tuesday, October 25, 2022
Meet in upstairs conference room @ 4:30 pm

Agenda

Roll Call

Full Committee in Attendance

J. Wildwhistle, Y. Meunier, N. Whatley, V. Langelo, N. Chandler, J. Berry

Staff: Mark Waltz & Derek Skrapchanski

Invitation for public comment

Derek stated that the solar estimates were under-estimated. Streetlights and LED municipal lighting are moving forward due to Community Resilience Grant.

Municipal complex lights, and public works lights will be converted to LED.

Might have additional solar credits after conversions.

Working with Affinity to help train Enterprise Electric on the streetlight maintenance and repair.

[Approval of 9-2-22 meeting minutes](#)

Minutes were reviewed and an amendment was suggested to note that MSAD 75 didn't get in a federal application for the EPA School Bus Program and to note about the replacement of older diesel buses.

John made a motion to approve and Victor seconded. AIF (All in favor)

Nancy nominated for secretary

Yvette nominated for Chair - V-1st, N-2nd, AIF

Nick nominated for Vice Chair - Y -1st, J-2nd, AIF

The group suggested November 30th or December 7th to meet with the Select Board.

Yvette reached out to Hap to let him know that the work plan would be going to the Select Board.

Derek said new hire would be coming on in mid-November. Derek and Mark will help staff the committee until new hire steps in.

Julie Erdman from Brunswick is coming in mid November to take the position Kate had. The position has been updated to a Planner Status.

The Committee updated the [work plan](#) to present to the Select Board.
The next Community Resilience grant is due in March.

Derek stated that they replace 1-2 cruisers per year. In about 5-10 years, they will need a fire truck.

Ambulances every 10 years

Public works trucks (medium to Heavy Duty) every 10-12 years

Lawn tractors

Weed wackers

Derek said he'd inventory equipment that could be replaced with battery operated.

Derek would prefer EV chargers at library

He is concerned about how chargers at the municipal complex would be managed as far as pay-per-use

He is concerned about maintenance - "hard to get electrical contractors"

If we had energy credits we could send it to the chargers, and charge for use - convert the credits back to cash.

- Show that we have extra credits and then use pay-per-use chargers to convert credits to cash is the argument to make to the Select Board.

Derek expressed hesitancy about new solar panels on the roof and additional solar where we have enough credits.

Leasing option of renting landfill space to developer is a revenue stream. Should consider studying it.

There was a discussion about finding out what the Bike/Pedestrian Committee is recommending.

It was decided that we should make sure the work plan items that overlap with the Community Resilience Partnership priorities are identified.

Work plan items that only require our time and not any additional resources could be identified and noted, but not require Select Board approval.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:23 PM

