

Town of Derry, NH

Energy & Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2016

Attendees: Maureen Reno, Marius Zainea, Chris Cox, Tom Morini, Cindy Peaslee, Tom Cardon

1. Call to Order – Maureen Reno (7:05 PM)

- a. Motion made to accept February 29th, 2016 minutes by Tom Morini. Cindy Peaslee seconds. All in favor.

2. Chairman's Report

- a. LED Streetlight replacement project: significant progress has been made. Some discussion among committee members about some lights being too bright from some angles. Lights cited are on Howard and Floyd Streets. Chris mentions color temperature and notes that these LED have a bluish tint to them (5000 temperature range).
- b. Solar on Landfill project: Ameresco has not initiated much effort to start this project. They are looking for an off taker for the power that would be produced at the site. It is mentioned that Mike Fowler may give the awarded vendor 90 days to move forward on the project or risk re opening the bid to others.
- c. Net Metering legislation: Has been approved in the House of Reps. Tom Cardon indicates that the measure made it thru a voice vote. Cap to be lifted to 100MW from 50MW. This added 50MW will be broken out as 40MW for smaller (under 100KW) projects, and 10MW for larger commercial projects. Most committee members feel the 10MW for commercial can be easily hit within a year, and is inadequate.
- d. Capital Improvement projects discussion has included re-roofing the main Library in Derry. Committee has interest in utilizing that same roof for PV deployment.

3. Old Business

- a. Jr. Solar Sprint is June 4th, 2016. Tom Morini discusses state of planning and reviews key forms, documents and other planning aspects of the event. Tom will send along an updated matrix of tasks and roles for committee members. Some discussion about the fact that we have more teams interested than the pre-built bracket supports (16). The implication is that we will need to run qualifying races to narrow the fields to 16 as per the method described by the National Jr Solar Sprint web site.
- b. Net Zero Task Force: Tom Cardon is the chair of this committee. There is a meeting this Thursday night. The EEAC's Anthony Marciano is our rep on the Task Force. Some discussion about building audit findings of a few years ago. Maureen mentions that

the EPA has a tool that allows you to track energy use improvement in various facilities, starting with a baseline and plug in changes as you go forward.

- c. EVCS: Marc has been investigating an entity that could allow the Town to entirely outsource this effort, to bring electric charging stations to Derry. Chris discussed the charging station at the new stops on 93. These are exclusively built for Tesla's.
- d. Cooler Smarter: Event to be held at the Marion Gerrish Community Center on March 31st, 2016. Significant, detailed discussion about the exact placement of the flyers. Flyers include new branding. Some discussion about articles in both the Union Leader and the Lawrence Eagle Tribune/Derry News. Tom Morini to send the invite to the list of teachers used for Jr. Solar Sprint. All members commit to promoting the event via their personal social media contacts.
- e. Earth Day Cleanup: April 23th is the agreed upon date. Volunteers should meet at the Municipal Center lot.

4. New Business

- a. EEAC Branding and Logo: Maureen has images of alternative logos for all of the committee members to examine and comment. Ideas are exchanged. More samples to be produced.
- b. Chris Cox makes motion to adjourn, Maureen Reno seconds. (8:44PM)