

Minutes of EEC Meeting June 16, 2010

Present: Jenny Isler, Jack Murphy, Ed Henningsen, Mike Eardley, Charlie Case

Guest: Betsy O'Donohue

Called to Order - 6:40 PM

Approved April and May Minutes

Discussion of Baseline Inventory: Jenny is still working with Dan Blanchette to get us on the agenda for the July 8, 2010 Board of Selectmen meeting to present our baseline inventory. Mike Eardley will take the lead for the presentation charts. We will have a comparison with other Towns and Jenny will furnish the York data. Charlie provided FY09 energy cost data from Kittery but no quantity usage or carbon footprint data. We will normalize comparisons with number of households. Betsy commented that Dan Blanchette has an annual summary of Maine Towns that could be helpful. We agreed to talk to the Department Heads before the meeting. Ed will speak with the Police, Jenny will speak with the Fire Dept and Library, and Charlie will speak with Dan Balanchette.

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program: Jenny signed six copies of the EECBG contract # 200909521 awarded to Eliot by the PUC for \$10,000. Some of this money will be used to complete a formal energy survey for the Police Station. Ed Henningsen will inform AAA Energy that they have been selected for this energy survey. Mike Eardley disclosed that his company has worked with AAA. There was a discussion of how to allocate the \$10,000 grant and whether we should go ahead and apply for the next round of EECBG grants. Jenny commented that we can't effectively submit a grant application yet because we can't define the energy improvement work to be done. It was determined that only a letter of interest for an actual project was needed at this time and Jenny agreed to draft it with an \$85,000 request. She determined that we met the criteria for a letter of interest. Jenny suggested that Town Departments need to write energy savings plans into their requested budgets. The EEC could work with Departments on their part of the Town's Climate Action Plan. Ed said he had spoken with the Librarian about the need to reduce energy use in the Library and suggested that we could use some of the \$10,000 grant to do a full energy audit. Ed asked if his company could do it or whether this would be a conflict of interest. Jenny agreed to find out.

FY 11 Officers: It was voted that Jenny continue as EEC Chair

Seacoast Energy Initiative: This is the program that will administer the multi town EECBG grant for \$500,000. Mike attended a recent meeting and reported that Nancy Farron is interested in the coordinator position. Note: Nancy led the successful application effort.

Meeting adjourned 8:55 PM