

EEC Meeting Minutes April 11, 2012

Present: Charlie Case, Ed Henningsen

Guest: Jack Murphy (BOS Liaison)

Call to Order 4:30 PM

A. Approval of February and March Minutes postponed due to lack of a quorum

B. Status of SEI Loan Fund & Funding Opportunity for Town Municipal Energy Projects – We reviewed a draft presentation for the BOS scheduled for tomorrow evening on this subject which explained how Eliot (as one of the six SEI towns) could likely get up to a 40K match for energy improvements on Town buildings. Eliot and York have defined “shovel ready” projects through professional audits on the Town Hall, Fire Station and Police Station. SEI loans in process or completed total 35 with 10 of those in Eliot. Updates will be made to the presentation based on suggestions from Jack and Ed. Charlie and Ed will attend the BOS meeting.

C. Municipal Solar Power Possibility - Ben contacted ReVision energy to see what a large installation for Public Works might be for a system that would generate 100% of the power we currently use for the Town Garage and the Transfer Station. ReVision energy (as well as other solar electric installers) has two possible ways to pay for a system. One is that the Town pays for the entire system, and the other is that ReVision energy puts in the system at no cost to the Town but requires a 5 year agreement that we buy the power generated at the rate we are now paying for electricity. At the end of the 5 years we could either buy the system at 25% of the install cost or extend the 5 year agreement. We agreed to bring this up to the BOS in several months after the budgeting and Town Meeting process was completed.

D. Additional Audits for Public Works buildings – Five professional auditors were solicited to bid on audits for the Public Works buildings under a sealed bid process. One auditor (Henningsen Inspections LLC) responded with a bid of \$1,748. We can fund this from the FY12 EEC budget with reimbursement from Efficiency Maine under our 10K grant. Charlie will ask the BOS to approve this expenditure at tomorrow's BOS meeting. Henningsen Inspections expects to start the audit around May 1).

Adjourned 5:45 PM

Approved Jan 9, 2013
Charles A. Case

