## Eliot Energy Committee May 10, 4:30 PM Small Meeting Room

Membership:
Christine Bennett
Albert Libbey
Edward Henningsen
Rich Matlack
Nicholas Lillis (Student Intern)

## **Meeting Minutes**

- 1. Call to Order Ed
  - a. Present: Ed, Christine, Rich, Al, Dana & Jack Murphy
- Review / Approve Previous Minutes Christine moved, Ed seconded all approved
- 3. Landfill Solar Project public hearing for the entire ballot at 7pm at Marshwood Middle School.
  - a. Remaining PPA Concerns fixed rate may not work for us. Our need is for it to be structured at some value below the CMP rate. Dana feels that we need to sit down with Barrington Power and convey that the current structure does not work with us. Revision is available to meet with us next week, has indicated that they could meet our deadline. Per our meeting with Doug Stevenson who advocated that we tie it to the delivery charge % versus fixed figure, this will be an important component for us in the PPA.
  - b. Further Negotiations / Method of Negotiations Fortunat from Revision suggested that we could use annual savings to pay off a loan to purchase the array as soon as it is allowed in the PPA. The buyout based on appraised value is still uncertain and the committee would be more comfortable with a method that ensures that we can anticipate the lowest possible price. We will try to meet with Fortunat Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> am or the afternoon of Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. SB and Legal Review Agreed that Doug should review for operational/technical issues and then use town's legal to review just contract. Suggested that he help with percentage of CMP rate vs. fixed cents under CMP's price, and best method of determining fair market value when buyout time comes. Al said it would be most prudent to buy out the system at the earliest convenience to save the most money. All agreed.
- 4. Town Hall Upgrade / RFP: Not Discussed
- 5. Update: Police HVAC Dana
  - a. Tymark (Heating Company) came in and gave them a tutorial on how to make the system more efficient. Water heater was installed to keep the Boiler from constantly cycling to produce hot water. System still has

significant life left in it. They shut down some of the wall heaters that resolved some overheating in some of the rooms. The engineer who assessed the building suggested zoning he did not suggest replacing the boiler. We could go in and add insulation. There is not sufficient insulation on the duct work. There is not sufficient balancing in the system but we could achieve some savings in the interim. The committee felt we should continue with our plan to set aside money for a future replacement but it does not seem that it is as imperative as we once feared.

- 6. LED Street Light Conversion Getting Started Al reported.
  - a. Made contact with Rozanna of the York Energy Advisory Committee. Will be meeting with her at the end of the month to pose questions we have eg what quality of the light (warm or white). She forwarded an information sheet about their program. We have about 12% of what they have. Using their figures we could see savings between \$4,000-\$7,000. They are working with a Company called Realterm, Celtic Energy is overseeing the project and they have a loan from Municipal Leasing Equipment. Al provided handout of the York project budget.
  - b. Dana reported about a prior meeting with Affinity LED and John Branagan out of Dover. They produce the lightbulbs in Dover and have worked with other municipalities.
- 7. Energy Usage Logging Should we recruit someone to do just this going forward. Al made a list of what data we are looking for. He has an appointment to come into Town Hall this Friday to get our records up to date.
- 8. Other Business New England Grassroots Environmental Fund requested a follow up call. We should know a decision by 6/10/17

9. Adjourn: Christine made a motion to adjourn the meeting; this was seconded by Rich and was so voted 4-0 @ 5:30 PM.

Approved DILL