

Atkinson Energy Commission
Regular Public Meeting
July 9, 2019

Atkinson Town Hall
Meeting Minutes

Meeting opened at 7:06 pm

Present: Ellyn Murphy, Marie Torris, Jim Garrity, and Michelle Veasey. Quorum established. David Cressman, Town Administrator, joined for part of the meeting

Minutes of the June 11, 2019 meeting: Motion by Michelle Veasey seconded by Marie Torris to accept the minutes. Passed 4/0/0

David Cressman gave updates on 4 topics:

1. Fire Station Lighting – Energy efficient replacement for outdoor lighting is progressing. The low bid was \$2,799 and all have been delivered except the gooseneck lights. Some have been installed. Michelle Veasey asked for documentation that the payback for these lights is 3 years or less as required by warrant 2016-6.
Action: Jim Garrity to document the payback timing and to coordinate with Unitil for rebates.
2. List of Town owned land for possible solar – David Cressman passed out two lists of Town owned parcels: one from the Conservation Commission and the other from the tax assessor records (Avitar).
Action: Michelle Veasey to contact NH Local Energy Solutions to discuss the options we have for group net metering, community solar, or other.
3. Street Lighting – There have been further conversations with Tim Noonis at Unitil. He has almost completed the inventory of Atkinson street lights and still needs to get the stranded cost to us. Jim Garrity had given David Cressman the street light files that Energy Commission already had (191 lights and \$12,360 stranded cost) so the question is why Unitil is not progressing faster to get back to us.
4. Dave Weymouth has indicated that the Community Center needs new windows. Jim Garrity said that there are no rebates for windows so the funds will need to come from the maintenance budget.

Old Business

5. Atkinson Building Needs Committee (BNC) – Marie Torris attended the June meeting. She reviewed the goals of the committee and indicated that a walk-through of Town buildings has been completed and documented. The BNC plans to put out a survey to learn expectations and needs for meeting, storage, work and other space issues/wants in all town buildings. The BNC is looking to the Energy Commission for input on boilers,

windows, and similar as they move forward. Bill Innes is the chair.

Action: Michelle Veasey volunteered to attend the next meeting on July 24.

6. Meeting Schedule – Motion by Ellyn Murphy seconded by Jim Garrity to change our meeting night to Wednesday and to meet the first Wednesday of every month through December 2019. Specifically, the Wednesday schedule will be: August 7, Sept 4, Oct 2, Nov 6, Dec 4, and January 29, 2020. The 2020 schedule will be revisited in November or December. Passed 4/0/0

Action: Ellyn Murphy will repost the schedule in Town Hall, and request the change to the Energy Commission web page and the Atkinson Government calendar.

7. Clean Energy NH/Local Energy Solutions – Michelle Veasey attended an LES webinar today. Ellyn Murphy was only able to be on for part of the meeting. In addition to great resources from this organization there are 2 events coming up: a cruise on Lake Sunapee on June 26 and The Local Energy Solutions Conference on Nov 15 (probably in Concord). We have 2 free admissions to the LES Conference because we are members
Action: Michelle Veasey will forward the slides from today's meeting to the rest of the Commission.

Motion by Marie Torris seconded by Michelle Veasey to adjourn. 4/0/0
Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Next meeting: Wed, August 7, 2019, 7:00 pm at Atkinson Town Hall