

Bradford Energy Committee Regular Meeting

Tues June 6th, 630pm via ZOOM

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1 Public comment

2 Marcey Carver, green purchasing for Newbury 10 minutes-OUUSD-bring to OESU. Budget Finance committee—replacing boiler in Newbury, no green purchasing process in place. Hear from the Energy committee about the process? Danielle Corti—Marcy could let her know we are coming to the next meeting, benefit of green purchasing policy, Randy Gawell-interested. Tom will do it and Ed. Marcey will let us know when the next meeting is. Ed will share our process with the Budget Finance committee. Pellet boiler for Newbury considered insurance issues with pellet furnaces. We are on the Selectboard for lights.

3 MERP Mini grant, update, Ed 5 minutes—approved for \$4,000 for mini grant, need townsperson Jennifer to sign it. Ed will send out info on it to us.

4 New on the geothermal front, Ed 5 minutes—IREC meeting, VT Bond Bank will be there, they want town centers to start networks (Norwich had passed for it, 1.5 million, but then overturned), they are talking about doing individual buildings that could be joined into networks, waste water treatment plant addition idea?—Ed will ask; Susanna went to VECAN, sat at geothermal table, waste water heat capture representative was there, some opportunities to get third parties to do the number crunching for free. Debbie will be working with Jeff and IREC towns.

6 IREC Nancy, 5 minutes-grant criteria for electric school buses have changed, only used for bus companies/school districts that already have electric buses; River Bend not eligible. Grant money for ev charging for commercial -Copeland, Farmway, ARC, OESU—for their employees, grid overloaded at night, incentive for employers to use for employees—then load is spread out; June 13th next IREC meeting. Elizabeth would like to attend an IREC meeting over the summer-Nancy will mention.

7 Approve PO to buy one case of LED bulbs for the Clerk/Treas office Tom 5 minutes. Ed and Tom counted bulbs and fixtures 259 fixtures, 433(?) bulbs, like to buy box of twenty-five as a test in the office area, clerk and treasurer, hallway: is the light sufficient? Is the color, ok? Is there a ballast incompatibility issue? -from manufacturers recommendation-<65, Nancy says it is \$55.14. Closest competitor is double the price. Rodney will put them in. 2 year pay back for plug and play; ballast by-pass—electrician, Ben Gray-I hour per fixture—\$23,000. Gym would be another project. \$1,000 to do everything except gym, Nancy sent redone PO to Tom and Ed; Ed wants the most up-to-date procedure. BCC will vote on it tomorrow night. Ed motioned; Susanna seconded. Motion passed to purchase case of LED bulbs.

8 Other-Jean –bathroom building-3 toilets and sink in men and women’s and large open room, gets stuffy for 6 months and smells, need ventilation—fit for ARPA funding, less than \$10,000, added heating system 6-8 years ago, could run 15 min per hour, if run all the time a lot of energy spent, program it for just day light hours? We have occupancy sensors, perhaps ventilation wired into that system, ventilation

for bathroom exhausts? Scott Eastman, Gray electric, Young. Tom will get two proposals and send them to Jean and the BEC.

--Thursday, GMP, Norwich Technologies and Nancy meeting to discuss EV charger installations. Ribbon cutting Dan is our liaison/selectboard. Loschiavo--St J Ford in West Leb agreed to bring an electric vehicle. \$7500 tax credit for leasing electric car, tax rebates.

--Bradford Food and Forest-Fix-It fair in the fall.

--window dressers—meeting—Peggy Willey had some ideas, starting to measure-1/3 capacity filled with out of town, to be the week before Thanksgiving, outreach projects, boxing in windows, booth at artisans' market, Ryan must get permission from selectboard—not sure if he did this

-Niles Prouty join committee. He does not have a computer; Bonnie could set it up. Lives on South Road-Ed will send Susanna his phone.

-follow up from last meeting—bills from Academy for 5 years—measure the building? Thirty something thousand sq ft—to get assessment—Ed will get electricity and oil from Jennifer, need sketch, Ed will look at audit.

9 Approve minutes of May meeting Elizabeth.