

ESC Minutes June 19, 2014

Present: Wayne Boardman, Chair, Stephen Kosacz, member, Nan Graves, member Victoria Simon, member, Rozanna Patane, citizen consultant, Peter Ashley, citizen.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved 4-0.

Details of SEI funds were discussed. A proposal was agreed upon and will be submitted.

Rozanna Patane led the committee in a discussion of the committee's objective and mission. Committee referred to York's Comprehensive Plan, Town Goal 1.4 *Support a broad vision of sustainability as a basis for policy decisions regarding growth, development, and protection of natural and scenic resources.* We used this policy as our guide in preparing a new objective and mission.

Peter suggested and the committee agreed that our objective should be **Zero net energy by 2050 and to be half way there by 2030.**

Committee agreed to an expanded mission. We reviewed and discussed missions from other municipalities but came back to the already existing language of 1.4.1 in the Comprehensive Plan, which up to now has not been implemented. Using that language our new mission would be; **Help the town of York implement 1.4.1**, specifically that part of the chapter that reads; **encouraging sustainable land use patterns, fostering a strong local economy, supporting local agriculture and food production, promoting renewable energy systems throughout town, creating safe and accessible public spaces for various ages and abilities, protecting natural resources and continued engagement of the citizens of York in determining the character of their community.**

The committee unanimously adopted this new mission. This would change the role of the committee to that of facilitator and resource. In addition there was agreement that the name of the committee be changed to; **The Sustainability and Energy Steering Committee.**

We will ask for approval from the BOS at the earliest possible date.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 pm.