

Minutes  
York Energy Steering Committee  
September 17, 2015, 7:00 PM, York Public Library

Present: Wayne Boardman, Hilary Clark, Rozanna Patane, Chris Ring, Victoria Simon  
Guests: Peter Ashley, Garrett Bent, Brian McGann

1. **August 20 minutes approved by unanimous vote.**
2. **Celebrate Solar Sept 26, 3:00 – 5:00 pm**  
Victoria reviewed plans, speakers; asked Committee to bring food. There will be a full article in the 9/23 York Weekly in addition to the press release.
3. **Police Station Building Committee**  
Stephen not present. Celtic Energy is willing to have conversation with committee about doing an energy analysis, identify opportunities to maximize energy savings if committee desires.
4. **Auditorium**  
Chris reported that the building is designed to meet the Maine Advanced Building Program and the state's MUBEC building codes. The Committee is concerned that there are additional measures that are not a high priority to the Auditorium Committee. With a \$10.2 million budget, the additional \$280k needed for more insulation, especially under foundation, wasn't included. Building height is greater than 35-ft code; they expect to get a variance, which apparently is common for schools, but may have to go back to voters in May 2016. At Chris' request, architect said they'd do an energy analysis but Chris hasn't seen one yet. Rozanna passed along Celtic's offer to do analysis.
5. **Energy Chapter**  
Wayne Boardman pointed out that aside from the chapter itself, there is a benefit in just meeting with Town organizations –people get to know us, learn what we're doing and the possibilities for them. Beth DellaValle sent rough draft; Rozanna distributed to Committee. Rozanna asked for volunteers for subcommittee to refine chapter, integrate comments from our meetings with department heads.
6. **LED Streetlight.**  
Public presentation 8/18 was very good. Workshop with BOS scheduled 9/21. BOS go/no-go vote Oct 17 and whether to manage project ourselves or hire turnkey company to design, install, maintain and report on project. Steve Burns is clear that the project should not create burden on Town Hall staff.
7. **Grant House pellet boiler.**  
BOS agreed 8/24 that it should be repaired, not replaced. Work started Tues, 9/15. Rozanna will check in on it, take photos, write post-project report. Total cost to repair will be \$13,023.
8. **Capital Budget Process.**  
Requests must be in to Steve Burns by Oct 7; Capital Budget Committee will have three meetings to review presentations and make decisions by Nov 19. Rozanna is working with Dean Lessard to submit proposals for the LED Streetlights and the Solar Farm on Landfill (solar Farm for FY 2018, will also require detailed technical feasibility study for Operating Budget).
9. **Other: Financial Report on Beach Fire Station retrofit.**  
Rozanna reported that the total cost to the Energy Committee of the solar panels and retrofit was \$64,321; plus the Fire Department paid \$12,600 for insulation for a total of \$76,921 (including just \$3,242 for solar panels net of SEI grant of \$94,758). The payback for the whole project is 10 years, the ROI 10% (including the entire \$98,000 cost of solar panels). After this project the bond capital balance is \$38,921.54; we plan to spend \$13,023 to repair the Grant House pellet boiler and \$20,000 for LED lights in the Grant House, Mt A and the Town Hall. Balance after those projects will be \$5,898.54.
10. **Next meeting is October 15, 2015.**
11. **Meeting adjourned.**

Submitted by Victoria Simon.