

BOLTON ENERGY COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING
7:00 PM, Wednesday July 24, 2019
Notch Municipal Center
Minutes

Members Present: Chairman Richard Dziadul, Andy Macomber, Jim Adams

1. Call to Order: Chairman Richard Dziadul called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.
2. Public Comment: none
3. Approval of April 24, 2019 minutes: Andy Macomber moved to vote to approve the minutes of the April 24, 2019 meeting. R Dziadul seconded the motion and the vote was 1:0:2. Minutes accepted.
4. Ongoing Business:
 - a) 2018 Energy Benchmark- The Board of Education provided energy bill information to the energy committee promptly. The town administration has not provided this information. Discussion ensued. R. Dziadul will send another letter to the town administration to request the 2018 energy bills.
 - b) Discuss proposed solar projects - The scope of the proposed solar projects has changed after the Greenbank conference call to include only the high school and the firehouse.
 - c) Communication with Capital for Change – On 5-21-19 R. Dziadul had a meeting with Capital for Change to determine if Capital for Change could assist with the proposed solar projects. It was determined that Capital for Change (CFC) cannot assist Bolton with the proposed solar projects because they cannot offer a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA). Note: In a Power Purchase Agreement the financier owns the system and the town would buy the power it produces.
 - d) Communication with CT Greenbank - A conference call was held 6-20-19 with the CT Greenbank, a state agency, and R. Dziadul Energy Committee and Joyce Stille Town Administration.

After discussion, the scope of the solar projects is now limited to the 100KW on the high school and a 20KW on the firehouse.

The Greenbank policies are tailored to meet the needs of towns like ours. They will provide site assessments and structural evaluations for free. The CT Greenbank offers a PPA for towns like ours to do solar projects like the one we are discussing. Some possible obstacles were discussed, such as the reroofing proposed for 2032 on one of the sites and if this would affect the length of the PPA. Other obstacles were mentioned such as the electrical supplier services contract. The town administration is expected to look into the electrical services contract to see if there are any conflicts. Note: the electrical services contract is expected to have expired by the time these proposed solar arrays are installed.

5. New Business
 - a. Four Energy Committee members have left the committee, Jay Stewart, Brian Blass, Bill Herbert and Rodney Fournier. The Energy Committee wishes them well.

b. Vote for new committee officers

- i. Vote for Committee Chair. R. Dziadul motioned to vote for committee chair, Andy Macomber seconded the motion, vote for Richard Dziadul to continue as Committee Chair 3-0-0
- ii. Vote for committee vice-chair. R. Dziadul nominated A. Macomber as vice chair, seconded by Andy Macomber Vote 3-0-0. Andy Macomber will continue as committee chair.
- iii. Vote for Committee Secretary. Richard Dziadul proposed that Jim Adams be nominated as Secretary. Jim Adams seconded the motion. Vote 3-0-0. Jim Adams will be secretary.

6. Adjournment: R. Dziadul MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:15p.m. MOTION CARRIED 3:0:0.

Respectfully submitted by Richard Dziadul, Chair of Bolton Energy Committee

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