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BOS FACILITIES & PUBLIC SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE

THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2020 1:00 PM - VIRTUAL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The April 16, 2020 meeting of the Board of Selectmen's Facilities & Public Safety Subcommittee was called to order by Chair, Sandra Pierog, at 1:11 PM.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: First Selectman Sandra Pierog, Selectman Michael Eremita, and Selectman Robert DePietro.

OTHERS PRESENT: Green Bank Official Emily Basham, Energy Committee Chair Richard Dziadul, Buildings & Grounds Director John Butrymovich, Superintendent Kristin Heckt, BHS Principal Joe Maselli, Administrator Joshua Steele Kelly, and five other Green Bank officials, BOE employees, and members of the public.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – Presentation from the Connecticut Green Bank.

DISCUSSION: Emily Basham and her colleagues presented to the Subcommittee about a proposed 279.1 kWh solar carport installation near and over the student and BOE parking lots by the High School on Brandy Street. Members of the Board of Selectmen asked a number of questions regarding the ownership of and maintenance responsibility surrounding the proposed system, the payments that the Town would be responsible for, and more. Basham and her colleagues explained that the Green Bank would not charge any up-front costs for this installation, and essentially the cost of the system would be paid back over time through a fixed-cost contract to purchase the electricity generated from the system (a Power Purchasing Agreement, or PPA). They have proposed a rate of just under \$0.14 per kWh of electricity generated, which is more than a full cent under what the town pays Eversource now for electricity generated in a less eco-friendly manner.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – Consideration of and possible action on the presentation from the Connecticut Green Bank.

CONSENSUS was reached to forward the matter of allowing the First Selectmen or designee to sign a letter of intent to go forward with the project to the full Board of Selectmen for discussion at their regular May meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – Consideration of and possible action on Bolton virtual net metering projects.

It was decided that, due to a lack of time, another meeting would be called to hear this matter in more detail.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joshua Steele Kelly, Administrator