

## **Granby Energy Committee Meeting**

Thursday, May 24, 2018 @ 5:30 pm  
New Library, 297 East State Street – Conference Room

### **Meeting Minutes**

**Members:** Jay Joyce (Chairman)  
Lillian Camus (Secretary)  
Robert Camus  
Lenny Haflich  
Maria LaFleche  
Jeff Skelskie

**Absent:** Mark Vincelette

**Call to Order:** Jay Joyce called the meeting to order at 5:55 p.m.

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

##### *Approval of March 15, 2018 Minutes*

Jay Joyce asked if there were any changes to the March 15, 2018 minutes. Hearing none,

Motion was made by Jeff Skelskie and seconded by Robert Camus to approve the March 15, 2018 minutes. Motion carried 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained (Maria LaFleche)

##### *Approval of April 26, 2018 Minutes*

Jay Joyce asked if there were any changes to the April 26, 2018 minutes. Hearing none,

Motion was made by Lenny Haflich and seconded by Maria LaFleche to approve the April 26, 2018 minutes. Motion carried 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained (Robert Camus and Jeff Skelskie)

#### **Open Action Items:**

##### *FY2018 Green Community Grant (GC) Application*

Jay Joyce reported the FY2018 Green Community Grant (GC) application. The Mass Department of Energy Resources have completed a review of the applying green communities and released the initial monies to these towns.

Within the next 10 days they should be releasing the rest of the money. We will find out what our application status will be at that time.

*Create a Short & Long-Term Plan to address ECM Findings*

The Short-Term ECM Plan is the FY2018 Green Community Grant Application which we are waiting for a decision.

The Long-Term ECM Plan is to be determined after the MA DOER releases funded ECMs.

*Draft Jr.\Sr. High School Building ECM+ Master Plan*

This will be determined after MA DOER releases the funded ECMs.

*Solar Massachusetts Renewable Target (SMART) Program*

Jay Joyce brought the Committee up to date. We have a new player in the SMART Program which is SunPower. Jay is in the process of contacting the SunPower people.

Senator Eric Lesser contacted Jay. He likes the SMART program. Jay explained we have two obstacles to overcome. The first obstacle is the way the SMART program is currently written, the solar developers would rather deal with Wall Street or single investors because of the mandated meetings, public hearings and public vote. Senator Lesser is planning on proposing amending a bill to allocate distribution to favor municipalities verses single investors.

The second obstacle was sparsely populated Granby that needs an upgrade to the National Grid substation to handle more power in Granby.

*New Library*

The new library will need to be added to the Energy Reduction Plan (ERP). It was not added before because the building has to be 5 years old to have 5 years of data.

The Town of Granby accepted the new library on November 17, 2013.

*DEP Electronic Vehicle (EV) Charger Grant*

The new elementary school may not get their LEED certification as they did not install the conduit for the EVSE charger. The contractor and the Town disagree as to whether the information for the EVSE charger was supplied to the contractor.

Jay Joyce has requested access to the new school's demark/computer room and needs a copy of the password. Jay will be checking rate of speed off the Wi-Fi network. The result of the test will determine if a Wi-Fi connection will replace the in-ground connection.

Bob Camus has volunteered to help Jay with the Wi-Fi connection testing. Lenny Haflich may also attend.

**New Business***Reestablish Committee Members*

Jay Joyce has requested Chris Martin reduce the Energy Committee membership from seven (7) to five (5) which will change the quorum to three (3) individuals. Jeff Skelskie and Mark Vincelette have agreed to become associate members. Chris Martin will bring the recommendation before the Selectboard.

*2018 First Quarter Report for Board of Selectmen*

Jay Joyce is in the process of creating the report.

**Old Business**

The FY 2017 Agendas, Meeting Minutes and Reports are on Cathy Leonard's list to be posted to Town of Granby Webpage.

**Next Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting will be Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in the upper level of the Carnegie Building (old library).

**Adjournment**

Motion was made by Robert Camus and seconded by Lenny Haflich to adjourn at 6:52 p.m. Motion carried 4 approved, 0 opposed, 0 abstained

I, Lillian Camus, certify that these minutes are true and accurate minutes of the May 24, 2018 Granby Energy Committee meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian Camus  
Secretary