

Granby Energy Committee Meeting

Thursday, August 16, 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

Absent: Maria LaFleche
Jeffery Skelskie, Alternate
Mark Vincelette, Alternate

Call to Order: Jay Joyce called the meeting to order at 5:42 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Approval of June 21, 2018 Minutes

Jay Joyce asked if there were any changes to the June 21, 2018 minutes. Hearing none.

Motion was made by Robert Camus and seconded by Lenny Haflich to approve the June 21, 2018 minutes. Motion carried 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained

Approval of July 19, 2018 Minutes

Jay Joyce asked if there were any changes to the July 19, 2018 minutes. Hearing none.

Motion was made by Robert Camus and seconded by Lenny Haflich to approve the July 19, 2018 minutes. Motion carried 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained

Open Action Items:

FY2018 Green Community Grant (GC) Application

Jay Joyce reported the Town received a Green Community Grant in the amount of \$248,702. This is in addition to another \$40,000 from National Grid for energy incentives.

Jay noted that the Town has Columbia Gas in the COA building. Columbia Gas' policy is to wait until the grant has been approved and awarded before they offer any incentives. Jay has applied to Columbia Gas for incentives for the COA building. Columbia Gas was out last week inspecting the building.

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

The Short-Term ECM Plan is the FY2018 Green Community Grant Application. Jay will draft a spreadsheet to show which projects have been funded and which have not been funded.

The goal is to have the potential projects completed before the end of 2018 in an effort to have a bulk of the work done.

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

The FY2019 Green Community ECMs and Master Plan will be included in the spreadsheet above. Master Plan includes FY2019 and beyond.

Solar Massachusetts Renewable Target (SMART) Program

The Selectboard placed a moratorium on solar systems over 250 kw in the Town for one year, expiring 30 June 2019.

New Library – Need to add to Energy Reduction Plan (ERP)

Jay Joyce obtained a copy of the Energy Reduction Plan and distributed it to all Committee members. The Committee will update it with the current FY2018 information.

MSBA Grant for Electronic Vehicle (EV) Charger Station Status

Jay Joyce reported the four EV chargers at the schools are operational electrically. The chargers are set up to accept either MasterCard or Visa at cost of \$1.00 per hour that the car is hooked up to the charger. Steve Nally is working with US Technologies to arrange a contract that abides by Massachusetts Law to deposit all earnings into the Town of Granby's bank account. US Technologies will bill the Town of Granby monthly for any fees and percentage of revenue.

2018 Second Quarter Report for Board of Selectmen

Jay Joyce reviewed a draft of the 2018 Second Quarter Report.

Motion was made by Robert Camus and seconded by Lenny Haflich to accept the 2018 Second Quarter Report as written. Motion carried 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained

MVP Grant Status

Jay Joyce reported have received a contract from the State. We are waiting on PVPC as consultants to move forward with the project.

META Grant Application

We applied on July 19, 2018 at 9:05 a.m., received a confirmation on July 19, 2018 at 12:15 p.m. from Paul Carey (Mass DOER) but have not yet received a decision on the application.

New Business

Reestablish Committee Members

The Board discussed appointing a member as Vice Chairman in case Jay can't make a meeting.

Motion was made by Lenny Haflich and seconded by Lillian Camus to appoint Robert Camus as Vice Chairman of the Energy Committee. Motion carried 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained

Net Zero Energy for proposed new Municipal Town Hall & Senior Center

Jay Joyce explained the Net Zero Energy process starts with Governor Baker. The Town received a \$4 million bond to construct a new Municipal Town Hall and a Senior Center in place of the West Street School. The project is on hold until the money is actually received from the State.

After the Governor releases the bond, the Energy Committee will see what Net Zero Energy incentives are available.

Old Business

The FY 2019 Agendas, Meeting Minutes and Reports are on Cathy Leonard's list to be posted to Town of Granby Webpage.

Next Meeting

The next two scheduled meetings will be

- Thursday, September 20, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in the New Library.
- Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in the New Library

Adjournment

Motion was made by Lenny and seconded by Robert Camus to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. Motion carried 3 approved, 0 opposed, 0 abstained

I, Lillian Camus, certify that these minutes are true and accurate minutes of the August 16, 2018 Granby Energy Committee meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Lillian Camus
Secretary