

CEC 3-21-13 Meeting Summary

Linda Brayton, Sam Cleaves, and Candace Wheeler-CEC members
John Rockwell- staff
Jim Hafey, Mark Cole- guests

Public: Joe George

No CEC quorum: no minutes adopted or votes taken

1) **Joe George et al**: postponed until April due to projector malfunction.

2) John Rockwell: **Green Community Funds update**: shift of \$175K of the City's Green Community funds to the National Grid incentive projects has been approved by Mass. DOER.

DPW will be making sure that National Grid projects are meeting all procurement laws. Siemens and EMC (consultants on National Grid projects) will break out projects to have them meet procurement specs.

All project energy savings will be reported to John Rockwell by Siemens and EMC on National Grid projects. These energy savings can be used for Mass. DOER reporting for the Green Communities 20% reductions in City energy usage. John Rockwell will put the data into Mass. Energy Insight energy tracking program.

Mark Cole can put together report on vehicles and fuel use.

Jim Hafey: Cape Energy Solutions (Mike Salmon) did an estimate for Maggie Rosa (Chair of City hall Restoration Committee) to insulate and seal City Hall. Maggie said the estimate was reasonable. Any program help? Probably not Community Preservation Act funds but maybe MassSave?

Streetlights: Mark Cole for Mike Hale: OK for city to take over street lights but needs a vendor to take care of maintaining them. Needs OK from Mayor to fund this operating/maintenance cost.

Sam: mentioned Mike Collins experience with acquiring streetlights there and suggested that Gloucester wait to see how National Grid streetlight tariff works out and how that may impact take over costs. (Currently, National Grid has not adopted a tariff (rate structure) for municipally-owned high-efficiency LED lights, but they are expected to establish such a tariff very soon.

Sam: gave overview of MAPC's LEAP (Local energy Action) program and

possible use as organizing tool for CEC. The LEAP program would include a residential component. CEC may need to find \$ to help pay for LEAP assistance from MAPC. CEC could fund raise with some help from City? Will discuss Stoughton LEAP Plan at 4/18 CEC Meeting.

Community Aggregation Letter- Candace is still drafting the letter to the Mayor reporting on the discussion with Leo Sullivan from Global Montello Group about Community Aggregation.

Annual Clean Energy Report to Mayor: Candace will draft this.

Green Communities Report: John: will produce the 2012 Green Communities Report once the grant is shifted over to National Grid projects, and data on the energy savings from those projects is provided to him.

Student interns: Candace will approach North Shore Community College and/or Endicott College about lining up a data intern to assist John R. in tracking electricity usage and savings for Green Community reporting.

Next meeting is April 18, 7 PM.

Notes taken by Sam Cleaves.