

**Sudbury, MA, Energy and Sustainability Committee
Meeting Minutes February 17, 2016**

OPENING:

The February 17, 2016 meeting of Sudbury’s *Energy and Sustainability Committee* was opened by Chairman Bill Braun at 7:35pm at the DPW Building conference room.

ATTENDANCE:

Committee Members	Attending
Rami Alwan	X
William Braun – Chairman, Energy and Sustainability Committee	X
Jim Cummings	
Edward Lewis	X
Joe Martino	X
Robert Morrison	X
Kurt Reiss	
Mark Sevier	X
Facilities Director, Town of Sudbury	
James Kelly	X
Guests	

AGENDA:

1. Municipal Aggregation Agreement
2. TM Article
3. GC Annual Report Additional Information
4. Streetlights Update
5. ESCO projects update
6. Approval of meeting minutes
7. Other business?

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1) Municipal Aggregation Agreement

Sudbury, along with Arlington and Somerville joined the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) collective competitive procurement for purchasing electrical power under a municipal aggregation plan.

A request for proposals was released and three bidders; Peregrine Energy, Good Energy and Colonial Power responded.

After an exhaustive evaluation, following all applicable state procurement guidelines, the MAPC committee chose Good Energy as the most advantageous bidder in terms of technical quality and competence, experience and pricing.

Rami distributed the draft Services Agreement and the Energy Committee reviewed.

The Committee's recommendation would be to offer a two tiered approach, the first or base offering would include more Green Power than is currently included in Eversource supply. This would include more additionality (inclusion of Class 1 SRECs (renewable energy generated in Massachusetts)) along with a competitive price. The second tier would offer power with an even Greener component (i.e. a larger percentage of power sourced from Green renewable energy.) This would give Sudbury residents the option of a base power contract which would be greener than current Eversource supply and they would have the option to go even greener for a slight cost increase. Either of these options would decrease Sudbury's Carbon footprint.

The Municipal Aggregation program is optional, residents can opt out at any point penalty free.

ACTION: Committee to do a final review of the draft Services Agreement and provide comments to Rami.

Ed to investigate the upcoming Capacity Charge increases in the New England ISO area and report to the Committee.

2) TM Article

The Committee reviewed a draft article for Town Meeting to see if the town will vote to establish and authorize for fiscal year 2017, the use of a revolving fund by the Facilities Director for paying town electrical costs, and to fund energy savings initiatives by the Energy Committee; to be funded by revenues from the solar field at the landfill.

This TM Article was unanimously supported by the Energy Committee.

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3) GC Annual Report

The FY2015 Green Communities Annual report was submitted and the DOER requested some follow-up information regarding Sudbury's renewable green power generation.

ACTION: Jim and Kurt will assemble the information and submit to the DOER.

4) Green Communities Grant Projects Update - Streetlights

Approval from the DOER of the Lighting Performance Contract has been received and the LED street light retrofit project is underway. The pilot was well received and Sudbury will utilize the lighting designer recommended 17 and 37 Watt GE fixtures.

This project will save a significant amount of money in reduced electricity consumption and decreased maintenance. The reduction in electrical consumption will offset a significant amount of green house gases.

5) ESCO Projects Update

The ESCO project is nearing completion with a few punch list items remaining. The M&V (Measurement and Verification) portion of the project will commence after the final commissioning and acceptance.

6) Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Minutes from the November 19th meeting were approved.

7) Other Business?

Scheduled Energy Committee Meetings: (DPW Building conference room - 7:30 p.m.)

- March 16, 2016
- April 20, 2016 (LSRHS break week - potential reschedule)
- May 18, 2016

Adjournment: The Energy Committee meeting was adjourned at 9:35pm.

Minutes submitted by: Ed Lewis, March 10, 2016