

**Town of Ipswich
Climate Resiliency Committee
Town Managers Conference Room – 25 Green Street
May 28, 2019 at 6:30 pm**

Meeting Minutes

Present: Mike Johnson, Tony Marino, Frank Ventimiglia, Carolyn Britt, Marc Simon, Chris Reyes, Rex Bradford, Michelle Hunton, Nicole Zito. Notes taken by Carolyn Britt

New Appointments: Three positions on the Committee are being vacated by changing appointments on other committees/boards. We will need new appointments from the Fincom, the Select Board, and the School Committee.

School Committee issues: We are still waiting for the support letter and signature of the School Committee for the fuel-efficient vehicle requirement.

Discussion of Application Status:

The Committee noted that all forms should be sent to Tony and he can start running them by Town Counsel.

A contract has been signed with MAPC to complete the application. They will work a total of 55 hours.

Energy Audit:

A National Grid project expediter (Energy Consulting Inc.) will be working on finalizing the section 3 audit requirements. The firm indicated they could work quickly this time of year as we are early for the process timing.

The GC Program requires a preliminary consultation between 9/5 and 10/5 to review the application, so the application needs to be well-drafted by 9/5.

On other matters, Mike J. went over the Town's accomplishments in the last year and suggested we should discuss what project we take on next. Suggestions included installing energy metrics into the work of appropriate departments – this would embed energy conservation into the day-to-day culture of the department. It could also be incentivized in the budget, so cost reductions could be available for other needs.

To do lists from discussion on next steps:

Send everyone info on forum on wind energy tomorrow.

Tony will check on issues with solar on the landfill

The Planning Board is considering zoning changes for parking and solar

What is the role of the CRC regarding working with larger developers – such as the Linebrook Rd. subdivision.

Issue of whether the town should extend gas lines or not. It is hard to meet stretch code requirements with oil

Focus on extension of pedestrian and bike infrastructure

What should the CRC members' role be in the completion of the application? Someone should ask Neal about this?