

Town of Greenwich

Energy Management Advisory Committee

April 26, 2021 __3:04 p.m.

Via Zoom webinar

MINUTES

1. Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m.

a. Committee members' attendance – present unless noted:

Laura di Bonaventura, Chair
Peter Schweinfurth, Committee member
Rob Liflander, Committee member
Brian Scanlon, Committee member
Allison Walsh, Committee member
~~Lauren Toretta, Committee member~~
Ryan Fazio, Committee member
Tony Turner, Committee member

b. Town liaisons' attendance – present unless noted:

Sean O'Keefe, BOE liaison
Andy Duss, BET liaison
Javier Aleman, RTM liaison
Alan Monelli, DPW liaison
~~Jill Oberlander, Selectmen's liaison~~
Barbara Heins, Executive Assistant to Selectman
Luigi Romano, BCM liaison

2. Chair's Remarks and Agenda

- a. Review of the EMAC goals and objectives.
- b. Discussion of Governor Lamont's comments regarding CT energy goals.
- c. Breakout rooms for baselining and benchmarking groups

3. Current Business – Task Force's Updates and Discussion

- a. Benchmarking Task Force
 - Work completed since last meeting
 - i. Basic coordination

ii. Interviews of targeted towns

iii. Towns / cities:

1. Fairfield

a. Initial communications established. Solar panels and car chargers were used. Interviews are being scheduled.

2. Middletown

a. Lauren and Rob had a follow up meeting.

3. Stamford

a. Ryan and Andy met with Stamford.

4. Westport

a. Similar approach to what Fairfield did. They also bought out their street lights from Eversource. They contracted with a company for the maintenance.

- Discuss issues, questions, support needed

- i. Potential follow up questions is what software was used for tracking energy consumption and the effects of the conservation measures.

b. Baseline Task Force

- Work completed since last meeting

- i. Basic coordination

- ii. Alan provided existing information for in scope facilities he manages.

- iii. Sean O'Keefe provided information for BoE facilities.

- iv. Brian Scanlan walked us through some of the tabulation and visualization of the data.

- Discuss issues, questions, support needed

- i. Possibly adding attributes to tabulation of facilities (LED,

internet, etc.)

4. Committee members – open forum. Topics not addressed yet, ideas, etc.

- a. Zoom logistics for next meeting
- b. Collaboration platform (dropbox, google drive, Microsoft one drive, etc)

5. Breakout Rooms

a. Baselineing

- Meeting Notes
 - i. Town Building fact sheet / introduction to the 116 structures maintained by the BC&M (Building Construction & Maintenance Division)
 - ii. Eversource building inventory (square footage and Eversource account number and Rate code)
 - iii. Al Monelli provided natural gas usage and heating oil usage updates for buildings in the BC&M portfolio
 - iv. Five Year Eversource monthly billing history
 - v. BC&M 20 year maintenance plan
- Next steps
 - i. Allan to provide energy information for sewer and water treatment facilities.
 - ii. Future modeling will incorporate the items above.
 - iii. Waiting to receive comparable Board of Ed building portfolio summaries and energy usage data for incorporation into a comprehensive energy usage history for all town buildings.
 - iv. Baseline team will incorporate Board of Ed electric, oil and gas data in spreadsheet analysis ASAP to have the full scope and be able to make comparisons.

b. Benchmarking

- Meeting Notes
 - i. Compared notes from the Stamford and Westport discussions, covering briefly the types of projects they did and the approaches they took.

- Next steps

- i. Allison will add 'researching state and federal incentives' to the mix once it is clear which teams have capacity

6. Old Business – none at this time

7. Adjournment

At 4:24 p.m., Laura DiBonaventura made a motion to adjourn. Upon a second by Peter Schweinfurth the motion was approved unanimously.

Laura di Bonaventura, Chair

Javier Aleman, Secretary