

Town of Kennebunk

NOTES (Summary Highlights & Decisions)

Energy Efficiency Committee Meeting – via ZOOM

February 3, 2021: 3:11 – 5:00 PM

Present: Staz, Negley, M & N Bartenhagen, Rist, Wolfson, Karytko, Dater.

Attendees: Ashley Poirier, Lisa Pratt.

MINUTES: December 22, 2020 Meeting Minutes approved.

LED STREET LIGHTS CONVERSION. Major discussion topics:

- The LED conversion RFP, drafted by the EEC, was discussed as to KLPD's apparent going-it-alone on scattered LED replacements without reference to the RFP or Town collaboration. On Brown Street, leading away from Rte. 1, KLPD has erected a (EOL) light and farther on a CREE fixture left over from last summer's demonstration lighting out Alfred Road. Go view these lights. KLPD has also moved another CREE demonstration light to Christensen Lane in Lower Village and an (OEL) LED onto Fletcher Street that an abutter has complained about.
- Karytko will talk with the Selectboard (SB) Chair and Town Manager on deadlines for the SB to meet with the KLPD over responsibility for the LED conversion. Perhaps at the SB meeting on February 23rd, EEC could present its RFP for consideration. (The SB subsequently included a discussion of the RFP and the EEC's role on streetlight matters at a meeting on February 9th.)

NEXT STEPS. After the LED conversion project is settled, the report by Alex Gulkwicz, UNH Sustainability Fellow, on the town's greenhouse gas inventory should be pursued by EEC.

M. Bartenhagen will send by the end of February the dozen projects recommended by the report for the EEC to prioritize before meeting with the SB and town staff.

MEETING DATES. EEC meetings should be regularly scheduled for the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month unless altered for some reason. A meeting was scheduled for February 10th to review any matters concerning LED conversion and Street Light Policies from the February 9th SB meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS. Revision Energy does community solar projects and EEC could discuss the situation in town with them. The SMPDC six town Sustainability Coordinator is hosting a climate change webinar on February 17th with the regional six town Sustainability Chairs.

Next Meetings: February 10th and February 25th.