

**Infrastructure & Energy Committee
Minutes, February 22, 2021**

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BARNSTABLE TOWN CLERK

Infrastructure & Energy Committee Members present: (On Zoom)

Peter Doyle, Chair, John Solomon, Derek Vannier; Rob Wilson

Others in Attendance: (On Zoom)

Gordon Starr Town Council Liaison; Jane Ward, Citizen; Alex Bowe, Citizen; Cindy Dabkowski, Administrative Assistant.

Call to Order:

Peter Doyle called the February 22, 2021 meeting of the Infrastructure & Energy Committee (IEC) to order at 5:05 PM. The meeting of the Infrastructure and Energy Committee was held remotely to avoid group congregation.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion moved by Derek Vannier to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2021 Infrastructure and Energy Committee meeting. 2nd by John Solomon four members in attendance voted affirmatively, motion carried.

New Business:

Peter Doyle informs the committee members in attendance of the resignations submitted by John Boyle, Alison Alessi, and Chris Peterson. The Infrastructure and Energy Committee is at minimum for voting. Please inform Peter of your intentions to attend meetings in the future. Please refer contacts that may be interested in membership to the Town Council for application.

Old Business:

Peter Doyle updates members regarding his reaching out to Daniels Santos, P.E. Director of Department of Public Works. He has invited Daniel Santos to the March 08, 2021 meeting to discuss possible direction for the committee. Daniel Santos responded positively. Peter Doyle asks members to submit questions for Daniel Santos, guest speaker. Questions should be submitted as soon as possible to Peter Doyle. Peter will prepare a master list of questions prior to March 8, 2021.

Peter Doyle confirms he spoke with David Anthony and offered IEC support of Cape Light Compact targeting small businesses on Main Streets in Barnstable to assess energy efficiency.

Jane Ward reports her findings for the Martha's Vineyard Food Waste Initiative (MVFWI). Each year, about 6,500 tons of food is shipped as garbage off Martha's Vineyard. In 2020 alone, it cost Vineyard towns \$720,000 to transport and dispose of this wasted food. Jane Ward suggests using the model that is in place no need to re-create. Jane Ward suggests contacting CARE for the Cape & Islands as a group interested in preserving and protecting the natural environment, cultural and historical treasures of Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket. The group may offer insight in recycle of food waste. Peter Doyle suggests committee wait for meeting with Daniel Santos to discuss.

Green Communities is still on the table. Gordon Starr agrees to reach out to David Anthony to get a status update. Not much for committee to do until building audits complete and can work on an Energy Reduction Plan (ERP)

John Solomon agrees to research and report back to committee “What is the maximum amount of food waste allowed on site? What companies remove food waste? Where does food waste go?”

Rob Wilson, Recycling Still investigating the Town weekly electronic newsletter and the possibility of having a weekly column to make citizens aware of recycling.

Members discuss the purpose of the IEC. Members’ references President Biden’s climate change agenda thoughts are maybe IEC should focus on climate change

Jane Ward informs the committee that the Cape Cod Technology Council summit on how indoor air quality impacts health, specifically transmission of the COVID-19 virus, as well as other health issues was a great success. The summit was recorded and can be shared with those that were not able to attend.

Next Meeting:

March 22, 2021 5:00PM | Department of Public Works | Remote Zoom Meeting

Upcoming Meeting:

April 12, 2021, April 26, 2021. May 10, 2021, May 24, 2021.

Adjourn

Motion moved Rob Wilson to adjourn the meeting of the Infrastructure and Energy Committee at 6:08 PM, 2nd by John Solomon; four members in attendance voted affirmatively, motion carried.

Documents and Exhibits

Handout 1: Agenda, February 22, 2021

Handout 2: Draft Infrastructure and energy Committee Minutes January 11, 2021

Handout 3: Draft Infrastructure and energy Committee Minutes January 25, 2021

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Dabkowski