

Town of Kennebunk
Energy Efficiency and Sustainability Committee

Minutes from the September 21, 2023

Meeting was called to order @ 5:30 PM, in person

Members Present: Tony Dater (Chair), Wayne Berry, Maggie Bartenhagen, Linda Miller Cleary, Dennis Dow

Member Absent: Scott Negley, Lisa Pratt, (Select Board Liaison)

Guests: Heather Balsar, (Town Manager); Chris Osterrieder; Mark Carter (Real Term)

LED Street Light Conversion. The Streetlight Committee started with a report from Chris Osterrieder and Mark Carter. Real Term's inventory of the existing streetlights is completed. The complications in the next steps were discussed. Heather Balsar will meet with the new Kennebunk Light and Power Manager, Anna Henderson, in the near future to discuss the LED conversion program. Issues of lighting on people, pollinators, and animals were briefly discussed.

Climate Action. Maggie Bartenhagen updated the committee on progress in the Climate Action Plan. A summary will be presented on September 26th at 6:00 about where the committee is and where it is going. Discussion has evolved around removing obstacles to renewable energy and ranking strategies.

Composting. Linda Miller Cleary presented a copy of a previous report presented to the Select Board on ways that Public Works could be assisted in initiating town wide composting. A motion to ask Bryan Laverriere and Heather Balsar to our next meeting to discuss next steps in moving forward was unanimously passed.

A further motion to make the standard meeting time of the EESC as the third Thursday in the month at 5:30 was passed unanimously.

The minutes from the July meeting were approved as presented. Our next meeting is scheduled for October 19th at 5:30 PM.

The meeting was adjourned @ 7:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Miller Cleary