

Infrastructure & Energy Committee

Minutes, June 10, 2019 Approved June 24, 2019

Infrastructure & Energy Committee Members in Attendance

Doyle, Peter-Chair	Starr, Gordon
Alessi, Alison	Boyle, John

Others in Attendance

Britt Beedenbender, Town Councilor
Cindy Dabkowski, Administrative Assistant
Karla Cabral of Sustainable Practices
Elizabeth Jenkins, Director Planning and Development

Call to Order

Peter Doyle called the June 10, 2019 meeting of the Infrastructure & Energy Committee (IEC) to order at 5:05PM. The meeting was held in the DPW Conference Room located at 382 Falmouth Road, Hyannis.

Approval of Minutes

Peter Doyle asks for motion to approve minutes of May 27, 2019. Motion moved by Gordon Starr to approve the Minutes of the May 27, 2019 meeting of the Infrastructure and Energy Committee with edits. John Boyle 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Guest Speaker

Karla Cabral of Sustainable Practices discusses

- Efforts to ban single use plastic bottles currently focused on eliminating non-emergency plastic bottle purchase, sale, and distribution by town governments and on town property across all towns in Barnstable County, Cape Cod. Karla Cabral is looking for support from the IEC to bring before Barnstable Town Council.
- Shared efforts to date to reach Barnstable residents such as Facebook petition, calls to Town Councilors, letter to editor, etc.

Elizabeth Jenkins, Director Planning and Development discuss

- Climate Resiliency; Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Building Barnstable's resilience to climate change and preparing for natural hazards.
- Hazard mitigation Plan update a comprehensive update rollout
- National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) award grant to the Cape Cod Commission and partners to develop a tool and public outreach program to investigate the environmental and socio-economic effects of local and regional coastal resiliency strategies.
- Cape Cod Coastal Planner a communication and decision support tool intended to educate users on the climate change hazards impacting Cape Cod's coastline, the

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adaptation strategies available to address them, and implications for local infrastructure and ecosystems.

- Resiliency and Affordability Fund (\$1 million annually for 15 years, total of \$15 million) to support low-income rate-payers through energy security funding, promote clean energy projects on Cape Cod and the Islands, and fund distributed energy storage projects that will enhance the resiliency of coastal communities. Looking for projects aimed at building the resiliency/reliability of our grid. Gordon Starr asked if the Town is planning to pursue this and, if so, could the Committee have a representative involved in any meetings. Elizabeth stated that she thought the Town was planning to have meetings addressing this program and did not see any reason why a representative of the Committee could not be included in these meetings.

Future Guest Speakers

- Mark R. Marinaccio, AIA, Town Architect
What is the Town's energy plan when regards new buildings Does the Town use Home Energy Rating System Rater (HERS)?

Communications from Committee Members

- Peter Doyle: Will invite Patrick J. Kelliher, Supervisor Solid Waste Division
 - Transfer Station Update (Recycle, Compost, and Trash) to speak at June 24, 2019 meeting.
- Alison Alessi: Charging Stations, Cape & Vineyard Electric Cooperative (CVEC) Mass grant grants, will contact Evan Melillo.
- Gordon Starr: Check on County's role Charging Stations
- John Boyle: High School energy club, Compost program and Vineyard Wind Update
 - John Boyle reported that Chris Peterson was attempting to contact David Gorrill at the High School to ask how the Committee could help with the new environmental lab in the future. John will check with Chris to determine his progress with this.
 - John Boyle reported that he attended an information meeting with Vineyard Wind at the Centerville Library on June 6th which was lightly attended. After Nate Mayo's (Vineyard Wind's Manager of Development and Policy) presentation there was a good discussion and there was no obvious opposition to the project. In a side discussion John discussed with Jen Cullen (Vineyard Wind's Permitting and Outreach Coordinator) whether Vineyard Wind would be interested in supporting an environmental program in the High School. Jen thought that this was a good idea and as a Barnstable High School graduate she could see many benefits for the High School students. We agreed to discuss this further in the future.

- John Boyle reported that in a meeting between the Committee's Green Communities Subcommittee (Alison Alessi, Gordon Starr & himself) and Brian Florence that Brian stated that he was opposed to the Town adopting the 780 CMR 115.AA "stretch code" but that he would enforce it if it was adopted by the Town. The Committee agreed to discuss this issue further in the future since the Town adopting the "stretch code" is one of the requirements for the town becoming a Green Community.

Upcoming Meetings

July 8, 2019

August 12, 2019

September 9, 2019

September 23, 2019

Adjourn

Motion moved by Alison Alessi to adjourn the meeting of the Infrastructure and Energy Committee at 6:58 PM, 2nd by John Boyle. All in favor, motion carried.

Documents and Exhibits

Agenda, June 10, 2019 Meeting

Draft Minutes of May 27, 2019

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Dabkowski

