

Town of Antrim Select Board Meeting Minutes April 25, 2022 6:00 PM

Board Members Present: John Robertson, Chairman; Tom Davis, Selectman; Michael Ott, Selectman (via zoom).

Staff Present: Town Administrator, Russell McAllister.

Others Present: See Attached

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Davis made the motion to approve the April 11th public and non-public meeting minutes. Mr. Robertson seconded the motion. Mr. Ott abstained due to absence at that meeting. The vote was approved and so moved.

Survey Proposal for Town Beach

The TA explained that the proposal to complete a property survey for the Town Beach was part of the current recreation grant for land and building improvements at the site. Mr. Davis made the motion to accept the survey proposal. Mr. Ott seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

Pleasant Street Bridge Update

The TA provided a synopsis of the current status of construction highlighting the need for the abutments to be designed by an engineer as well as the dewatering plan, which most likely will be sand bags, that also needs to be prepared by an engineer. Right Angle Engineering, who completed the wetlands permit, will do the necessary work.

Revision Energy Solar Proposal

Jude Nuru, Revision Energy Representative, briefed the Board relative to a potential solar installation at the waste water treatment plant. Mr. Nuru provided an overview of net metering. Solar power generation and its attendant cost savings can be applied to a single or a group of meters. The initial proposal is for group net metering. The Town's total electrical bill was used to calculate the size of the array, in this case 1302 panels, and a generation capacity of 480 kW. The purchase and installation cost of the panels is paid by investor funding and the electricity generated by the panels is purchased by the Town, usually at a lower rate than that of Eversource through a power purchasing agreement. The agreement is for a term up to 25 years with an opportunity for the Town to purchase the solar array in year 6 of the agreement for a discounted price. Discussion ensued over a number of topics and specifically the time necessary to recoup the capital outlay. Mr. Nuru agreed to return at a later date with a design that is sized for the electric needs of the waste water plant.

Meetings Attended

Mr. Ott attended no meetings. Mr. Davis attended a planning board meeting where full and alternate members were appointed. Mr. Robertson attended an NHMA policy meeting.

Town Administrator Update

The TA briefed the Board on planned IT purchases; three PC's and a VPN (SonicWall). The pc purchase is to retire three Win7 machines with Win11 machines. The SonicWall is a replacement to the existing one that can only be upgraded once more. That cost is about \$300 less than a new one that has a useful life of 5-years.

Other Business

Mr. Robertson suggested that the Board schedule a workshop to set goals and priorities for the year. The TA suggested that Board members send their availability and he will collate the available times for scheduling. Mr. Davis talked about affordable housing funding at the state level and it's potential impact on Antrim.

There being no further business Mr. Robertson made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Davis seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved. The meeting adjourned at 1900.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Russell McAllister

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