

NELSON TOWN BUILDINGS COMMITTEE

November 1, 2021

Attendees

- Dave Upton
- Lisa Sieverts
- Sandy Mackenzie
- Dave Birchenough
- Patsy Beffa-Negrini
- Kim Rich
- Earl Creasey

Agenda

- Approve the Minutes
- Review ASHP RFP
- Review Cost Benefit
- Confirm next meeting on 11/15/21

SUMMARY

- Draft ASHP RFP and Cost/Benefit documents were approved.

Action Items

- Lisa
 - Modify the docs as indicated and forward to Selectboard
 - Attend Selectboard on November 3

MINUTES

- Chair Lisa Sieverts calls the meeting to order at 6 PM
- Approve the Minutes of the October 18, 2021, as sent by email on October 19, 2021
 - Dave moves to accept the minutes with as corrected, second by Dave B, all in favor
 - Correction: the envelope calculation for amount of carbon released by the two buildings in one year: 20,000 pounds

of CO2 would be 10 tons, not 2 tons

- Review ASHP RFP
 - We need to contact HVAC contractors
 - Our List docs.google.com/document/d/1qfj6s1YC0_5l5lFgiwmtxtlvVxY2w7r6hom6eTtMvL4/edit
 - Question to ask: Do you want to receive an RFP for heat pumps for two of our town buildings, and are you willing to receive the RFP via email, and if yes, what email address to use
 - Do this after Selectboard says whether to proceed and if they want us to do this research
 - Dave U and Dave B will make the calls, DaveU taking the top half, DaveB the bottom calls, pending Lisa's email saying to go ahead
 - Dave U moves to approve Rev7 of the ASHP RFP, Sandy seconds, all in favor
- Review Cost Benefit
 - Two versions
 - Lisa
 - Shorter
 - Dave
 - Stresses that the short-term financial bottom line is not the most important part, saving the planet is the most important reason for doing this project
 - Dave U moves to use Lisa's Cost/Benefit document, with the addition of the "CO2 and Town Buildings" paragraph, Sandy seconds, all in favor
- Next Steps
 - Date for Walkthrough
 - Should there be a preliminary walkthrough first to talk to Edie and Karen about where they want cassettes and the same with Kris? Lisa to bring this up with Selectboard.
- Update on Solar Production
 - Town Barn Solar Array, one channel has produced since 1/1/21 15782 kWhours, and the other 14,892 as of end of October, so definitely producing 30kWhours + this year as predicted, since there are two months to go.
 - Top tier is called "Town Barn", which is billed with the town office. Last month "no payment due" per the Eversource bill
 - Bottom tier is called "Fire Rescue"
 - On same account with Granite Lake and Town Hall, last month "no payment due" as well
- Other Discussion
 - CO2 refrigerant heat pumps are coming in the future. These are high pressure systems.
 - Library maintenance tasks will be done by sexton, once this position is filled (contact Edie if you know someone who wants to apply)

Completed Action Items

- Lisa
 - Coordinate revision of Draft RFP with Cost/Benefit

Sandy makes a motion to adjourn at 6:55 PM, Dave U seconds, all in favor

A reminder about right to know rules

- We can share information with each other by email between meetings, but we cannot comment on that information or make any decisions by email

Next Meeting

- Monday November 8 at 6 PM in the Town Hall
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