

Energy and Sustainability Committee Meeting, March 28, 2023, 5:30 pm Minutes

Attendees: Chip Wallace (chair), Elisa Grammer, Rick Parker and Liz Callahan

1. Solar Feasibility Study and 1910 Building Energy Upgrades – Town sent out contracts to B2Q (consultant) for solar feasibility project and energy upgrades to the 1910 building. Rick has reached out to B2Q to determine status of B2Q's review and sign off.
2. Solar By-Law Update -- Town meeting article for the Solar Bylaw drafted by the Planning Board; new provision has been added to final draft to cover decommissioning of systems. By-Law to be voted on at Spring Town Meeting.
3. Municipal aggregation – Energy and Sustainability Committee (ESC) is seeking to set up call with a municipal aggregation service provider/consultant to move forward with municipal aggregation.
4. West Newbury decarbonization strategy – ESC seeks to advance a decarbonization strategy for the Town. There was agreement that the plans to develop/advance such a strategy should be included in the ESC's annual report to Town Meeting.
5. Committee Report for Town meeting – Elisa suggested and ESC agreed that the information on the Main Street Solar generation and cost savings to the Town should be updated on the website and included in the Committee report to Town meeting.

Next meeting: April 19th, 5:30 pm