Minutes of the Henniker Energy Committee (HEC) Meeting: 15MAY23 @ 5:41 PM at the Henniker Community Center

Attendees:

Chair: Dina Pinnell
HEC Members: Dianne Dawson, Rod Pimentel and Mark Mitch
Selectman: Bill Marko
Public Guests: Heidi Aucoin, Sarah Keniston, Steve Lieber (Affinity LED Lighting)

Meeting was called to order at 5:41 PM.

Affinity LED Lighting President, Steve Lieber, spoke with the HEC team to introduce himself and his company and mentioned that he works with the municipal and institutional sector all over New England.

Steve provided his proposals for replacement of the bridge post mounted street lighting to the committee. He mentioned that our current carriage street lighting is a SPRING City fixture which he believes are \$2,500-\$3,500/piece to replace. He is proposing a new light fixture that is available with or without a Verizon network system. Verizon Network could cost an average of \$7.50/yr. per node, which is roughly \$255/year for the Town of Henniker and \$195/year for NEC.

Mark Mitch asked, "Do we want NEC and the Town of Henniker to be in one system?" HEC Members suggested that we may want to invite Dan Gearan (Assistant VP of Capital and Facility Manager of NEC) to provide input.

Sarah Keniston from Henniker Lions Club reached out to introduce HAREI (Hillsborough County Area Renewable Energy Initiative), a NH-based, non-profit organization of volunteers intent on implementing more efficient and sustainable energy practices, with a focus on solar energy for the homeowner.

- Looking for volunteers either the town or the community residents to start MAREI (Merrimack County Area Renewable Energy Initiative).
- MAREI energy coop, mentoring homeowners on how to install their own Solar Panels.
- We provided contacts to Sarah to reach out to.

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- Motion to Approve:
- Chair, Dina Pinnell
- 2nd motion, Mark Mitch
- Motion carried by majority

HEC members discussed the next steps regarding the LED Lighting at WWTF that was recently approved by the Selectboard for the Energy committee to look at. HEC members Rod Pimentel and Dianne Dawson will coordinate a walkthrough with Henniker WWTF to look at what the scope of the project.

Rod Pimentel had not yet followed up with the town to investigate the HVAC system at the Community Center, he will do so soon. Dina will send over the thermostat spec sheet we received from Denron Hall's Service Manager to Diane Kendall, Town Administrator, for recommendation.

Chair asked if there were any other concerns or new business. None noted.

Bill Marko moved to adjourn the meeting. Dina Pinnell 2nd motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:56PM.