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## Minutes FOR STRATHAM ENERGY COMMISSION MEETING

**Wed September 11, 2019**

**Meeting to be held at the Municipal Center @ 7:00pm**

### Committee Members:

- **Michael Ream**
- **Matthew O'Keefe**
- Michael Gorman
- Charlie Case
- **Michael Welty**
- **Town Mgr David**

### 7:06 PM Call to order

- 1.) Approve Meeting minutes from August 13, 2019
  - a. Yes with one correction.
- 2.) Solar Update @ Stratham PD
  - a. Met with legal review of design requirements.
  - b. Chief will be investigating snow management options, including additional snow fencing.
  - c. Revision is participating with mitigation technologies
  - d. Plan to resolve by 9/30/19.
- 3.) Clean Energy NH
  - a. Discussion with Henry Herndon about various questions SEC had that other communities may have faced:
    - i. Can net metering projects move forward while involved in 3<sup>rd</sup> party supply contracts?
      1. Yes
    - ii. Other renewable strategies to increase regional participation in energy markets.
      1. <https://www.nh.gov/osi/energy/saving-energy/incentives.htm>
      2. HB265 would allow the town to solicit pricing on residents behalf and could require % of renewables to meet town's sustainability goals. Residents could "opt out" if not interested.

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- iii. Are other towns using zoning or planning approaches to leverage more land use practices?
    - a. Not well developed at this point.
  - 4.) RPC – Procurement
    - a. Aggregate Purchasing Benefit from bringing in more communities now and into the future. First time process for the planning commission but should yield more successes in future solicitations.
    - b. Bid Process Results last week, presented today Stratham, Newfields, Hampton Falls, Epping Schools, Newton, Plaistow library, Kingston
    - c. 400K KWH for Stratham-Constellation
      - i. 12 mo was 7.53 (most recent 12 mo Default Tariff was 8.5)
        - 1. Similar pricing comparisons from both Mike R and Mike W looking at 12 month terms.
      - ii. 24 mo 7.34
      - iii. 36 mo 7.22 (Annual savings \$5,272. \$500/yr savings vs 24 month price)
    - d. Select Board Meeting 9-23-19
      - i. Sign contract by 9/25
      - ii. Mike R and Matt to attend (7pm start)
  - 5.) Master Plan
    - a. Lester Cuff at last meeting to encourage more renewable energy options for Stratham.
    - b. SEC would support language to incorporate into plan that can be built into aspirations for sustainable strategies.
      - i. Would be less requirement driven but more for broader strategies.
  - 6.) New Business
    - None

Adjourn 8:05

Next Meeting **Tuesday October 8, 2019**

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