



TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

GREEN COMMITTEE

999 Whipple Road
Tewksbury, MA 01876

Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2014

The meeting was called to order by James Duffy, Chairman at 5:30 p.m. at the Tewksbury Senior Center. Present were Robert Fowler, Steve Fugarazzo, Loretta Ryan, and Krissy Polimeno. Also present was Kyle Boyd, Conservation Agent.

Tom Cooke and Todd Johnson were not in attendance.

1) Approval of Meeting Minutes – January 9, 2014

MOTION: Mr. Fowler made the motion to approve the January 9, 2014 meeting minutes; seconded by Mr. Fugarazzo and the motion carried 5-0.

2) Update on Status of Grant

Discussion took place on the condition of the DPW building and it being a large energy user. Mr. Boyd explained that a case study will be done on the building and the possibility of addressing this project under the town's capital improvement plan as the work could be lengthy and costly. Mr. Duffy explained that the study will help determine the design and scope as well as pricing.

Mr. Duffy noted that the boilers at the Dewing and Heath Brook Schools will be removed and a new hot water heater will be installed to address the cafeteria needs. The purpose is so the boilers do not have to run to heat the hot water and will only run during the heating season.

Discussion took place on the next grant round. Mr. Boyd explained that he will be submitting the application through the online submittal process once the information has been received from Guardian. The deadline for submittal is April 18, 2014 and the turnaround time is not known. Mrs. Polimeno requested she be informed once a decision on the application has been made as the school department has been working on one time expenditures. One of the items they would like to address is safety and security issues at the schools. Mrs. Polimeno noted that it is possible that some of the grant funds could be used to help with this. Mr. Duffy discussed the importance of the Committee working with the town to address its capital improvement needs and suggested meeting with the

town manager, Richard Montuori to discuss this further. Mrs. Polimeno suggested also inviting the new school business manager, Sherry Matthews.

Mrs. Polimeno noted that the Statement of Interest to address the four elementary schools was submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) yesterday. Mrs. Polimeno and Dr. John O'Connor, School Superintendent, met with representatives of the MSBA to obtain feedback on why Tewksbury was not chosen and also received helpful hints on how to resubmit the new statement. Mrs. Polimeno explained that how the conditions of the schools affect the students and facility on a daily basis has been included within the new statement. The estimated response time from MSBA is within 3 to 4 months.

3) 2014 Goal Setting

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

There was no new business.

Adjournment

MOTION: Mrs. Polimeno made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Fugarazzo and the motion carried 5-0.

Approved: 5/8/14

No documents submitted for 4/10/14 Agenda