

**Infrastructure & Energy Committee
Minutes, March 8, 2021**

Infrastructure & Energy Committee Members present: (On Zoom)

Peter Doyle, Chair, John Solomon, Rob Wilson

Others in Attendance: (On Zoom)

Gordon Starr Town Council Liaison; Daniel W. Santos, P.E. Department of Public Works Director, Cynthia Cole, Citizen, Dr. Paul Canniff, Citizen, Cindy Dabkowski, Administrative Assistant.

Call to Order:

Peter Doyle called the March 8, 2021 meeting of the Infrastructure & Energy Committee (IEC) to order at 5:01 PM. The meeting of the Infrastructure and Energy Committee was held remotely to avoid group congregation.

Approval of Minutes:

Approval of minutes postponed to March 22, 2021 meeting.

New Business:

Peter Doyle introduces Daniel Santos, P.E. as the guest speaker. Mr. Santos describes the Infrastructure and Energy Committees (IEC) charge as (1) provide the Town Manager and the Director of Public Works with recommendations concerning the development of rules and regulations for the maintenance and sanitary operation of the solid waste transfer station, water pollution control facilities, public roads, bridges, sidewalks, parking lots, parks, bulkheads, docks, Town landings, beaches, playgrounds, recreation and conservation areas, cemeteries, Town forests, and public buildings, excluding schools.

(2) Recommend viable methods for achieving energy conservation and for utilizing renewable sources of energy within the Town.

(3) Promote energy efficiency programs available through the Cape Light Compact in residential and commercial sectors. Daniel Santos explains the first item, is vague, in that it specifically relates to the development of rules and regulations, occasionally come up but not often. Daniels Santos refers to Gordon Starr possibility that he has some insight in talking with other counselors. Town Council eliminated the Public Works Commission and the Water Pollution Control Commission and the Renewable Energy Commission and consolidated into the Infrastructure and Energy Committee. This is a committee that the Town Council decided they wanted. IEC members ask if Mr. Santos has a vision of how its members could be of assistance to the Department of Public Works, such as community liaisons for education. Daniel Santos suggests a possible model such as this committee could identify good ideas proposals that they would present to the council and say, here's a policy position that we think would put the Town in a good position relative to saving money, due to energy, and these are the steps we suggest and this is what it would result in. And then I would see the council agreeing or not, or debating it and then tasking public works with the implementation. Daniel Santos suggests meeting with the chair, once a month, and develop ideas that he/she could bring back to the committee as possible areas to address.

Gordon Starr will speak with Counselors and find out what the IEC can work on to support Town Council.

Green Communities is still on the table. Gordon Starr agrees to reach out to David Anthony to get a status update. Not much for committee to do until building audits complete and can work on an Energy Reduction Plan (ERP)

Members discuss the purpose of the IEC. Members' references President Biden's climate change agenda thoughts are maybe IEC should focus on climate change

Next Meeting:

March 22, 2021 5:00PM | Department of Public Works | Remote Zoom Meeting

Upcoming Meeting:

April 12, 2021, April 26, 2021. May 10, 2021, May 24, 2021.

Adjourn

The three members in attendance of the March 08, 2021 Infrastructure and Energy Committee meeting agreed to end the meeting at 5:56 PM.

Documents and Exhibits

Handout 1: Agenda, March 8, 2021

Handout 2: Draft Infrastructure and energy Committee Minutes February 22, 2021

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Dabkowski