

**Infrastructure & Energy Committee
Minutes, November 14, 2022**

Infrastructure & Energy Committee Members present: (On Zoom)
Peter Doyle, Chair; Jane Ward, Vice Chair, John Solomon, Rob Wilson

Infrastructure & Energy Committee Members absent:
Kathryn Hautanen

Others in Attendance: (On Zoom)
Gordon Starr, Councilor, Cindy Dabkowski, Administrative Assistant,

Call to Order:
Peter Doyle, Chair called the November 14, 2022 meeting of the Infrastructure and Energy Committee (IEC) to order at 5:06 PM. The meeting of the Infrastructure and Energy Committee was held remotely to avoid group congregation.

Approval of Minutes:
Approval of minutes postponed until next meeting

Old Business

Peter Doyle notes that he watched the recycling work seminar last week an offshoot of the DEP and they're funded by the DEP but they're not really the DEP Recycle Plastic does get recycled.

Peter Doyle notes the sustainability position has been hired. David Anthony will introduce that person to Infrastructure and Energy Committee when it is appropriate to do so.

John Solomon goes over the recycling subcommittee recommendations letter. Members discussed collection of food waste for composting in three sections Town of Barnstable Transfer Station, Large Commercial Generators and Schools.

John Solomon notes possibly working with the Cape Cod Commission to develop one or more local composting facilities in Barnstable County. John Solomon notes a future step would be to work with the private haulers of residential trash to promote all types of recycling.

Committee members express interest in inviting Kari Parcell, M.P.A. Solid Waste and Recycling "Expert" for MassDEP & Barnstable County to present at a future committee meeting.

John Solomon asks should we consider sending this letter first to the DPW and David Anthony to get input. Basically asking for him to get more support for what he's already trying to do is kind of what we're doing.

Peter Doyle asks John Solomon to send letter to committee members for review prior to next meeting. Committee members will vote on next steps at the December 12, 2022 meeting.

Jane Ward shares a letter from a friend from Sandwich who's trying to motivate her group of likeminded folks in Sandwich to address Green Community and stretch code at their town

meeting. They have the same problem we do. This letter does a very nice job of simplifying the argument and putting it in terms of dollars and cents. Basically saying changing the stretch code is only going to affect new buildings and new residences and buildings over 104,000 square feet. Sandwich and we could say Barnstable have missed out on 1000s and maybe millions of dollars since 2008. Interestingly Sandwich is getting ready to do a big school district renovation; some of these matching funds could come available to help them with this renovation. Jane Ward states once we meet the sustainability person, would like to revisit the discussion of Barnstable becoming a Green Community. The only thing left to be a green community was the stretch code.

Judith Hall. She's another green architect like Alison Alessi and she's really zeroes in on the funding and the funding missed.

The next meeting is December 12, 2022 at 5:00 PM

Adjourn

Peter Doyle ends meeting at 6:29 PM,

Next Meeting: December 12, 2022 5:00PM | Remote Zoom Meeting

Upcoming Meeting: December 12, 2022 December 26, 2022

Documents and Exhibits

Handout 1: Agenda, November 14, 2022

Handout 2: Draft Infrastructure and Energy Committee Minutes October 24, 2022

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Dabkowski