

Town of Sharon
Energy Advisory Committee
Minutes for 11/27/18

Attendees

Lajos Kamocsay, George Aronson, Silas Fyler, Sachin Patel, Valerie White

Meeting Minutes

Committee voted (5-0-0) in favor of approval of meeting minutes for 11/19/18.

MassCEC Solarize Program

Committee discussed merits of MassCEC Solarize program. Some concerns were expressed

- Is this in competition to the municipal aggregation program we are presently pursuing? While the solar portion is in competition with aggregation the Solarize Plus adders are not and would be beneficial to the town.
- The committee felt that the solar market is very dynamic and the RFP contract with the solar installer might not reflect the best price over a period time.
- Large company solar installers for residences tend not to have the best prices.

Some outstanding questions were raised as well.

- What effect does the new SMART program for solar have on this program?
- Can residence do a partial installation? For example if a homeowner already has solar on their house can they still access the heat pump adder in Solarize Mass PLUS

Overall the committee felt the program was worth moving forward with application.

Municipal Aggregation Broker

- Committee heard from Valerie White and Sachin Patel the outstanding references.
- Silas Fyler and Lajos Kamocsay gave their review of the RFP responses on Price Proposals. All Price proposals were complete. It was felt that the price proposals responses were not significant enough to change the decision based on the RFP technical proposal.
- Committee voted (5-0-0) in favor of MassPower Choice LLC as the recommended Energy Broker based on RFP responses. Committee voted (5-0-0) in favor of Good Energy as the recommended backup Energy Broker in case MassPower Choice LLC is unable to complete a contract.

Committee decided to present the Energy Broker recommendations at the next Selectmen's meeting on December 4th. It was also decided that George Aronson and Silas Fyler would work through the contract signing during the month of December with the town. if the Selectmen approved the recommendations for the Energy Broker.

Next Meeting to be on January 8th at 7pm Community Center

Committee hopes to have MassPower Choice LLC present at this meeting to begin to move the Municipal Aggregation forward. Ameresco offered to present on large scale batteries they have performed in other towns.