

TOWN OF SHARON MEETING NOTICE

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ENERGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, May 24, 2023 At 4:30 PM

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Town Clerk

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AGENDA

4:30 PM: Opening Procedures

4:35 PM: Sharon Power Choice Status

4:45 PM: Sharon Energy Manager Status - Pressing Reporting Duties

5:05 PM: CAP Discussion: Silas and Tom Birmingham Updates

5:25 PM: Solar Update

5:35 PM: Scheduling Next Meeting

5:45 PM: Adjourn

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Sharon Power Choice: Went out to bid. 36 months at 0.131/kWh for base was the winner. So 2.5 cents more than what we've been paying. 0.138 for upped standard, 0.1549 for all green. Direct Energy won. By January we'll be 2% more green than this year. And will go up 3% annually for the next three years.

Basic green today is 59.5% and 79% for standard green this year (ask Silas to send me the breakdown).

Peragrin put it out at Mass Power Choice is the consultant that put together the bid.

Energy Manager: Advize using Kathy in the short term. Need to give specific tasks to Fred and clearly outline her duties.

ECEBG – Block Grant for CAP. Likely to see the application in a couple of months. MAPC also will have money.

MVP Grant – DPW probably went after that. We should check with them to see if they did. If not, we could go after it.

Tom Birminham:

Where is Canton Now on CAP:

- Progress: Are on the Warrant for town meeting. Citizens and Select Board articles. Formation of a steering committee on a stand alone, subject to town approval for a CAP. Vote on May 8th.
- Will work on CAP and finding an Energy Manager
- 8 differen committees supporting the article: Should pass.
- Not seeking funding at this time but seeking a plan for a plan.
- Economic development committee would like to be engaged with this effort as well. Big investment by Governor on clean tech with big funding.

What we have learned about funding:

- MVP 2.0, new pilot project for. RFQ coming out for towns to seek funding.
 - o Looking for cross-town and environmental justice communities.
 - o Suggests talking to Stoughton

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- President of Mass Autobon is chair of sustainability committee and is willing to help write grants.
- KLA Karen Lundragan: Offered to come in and talk with us.
- MAPC Regional Coordinator: Canton and Sharon Three Rivers district.

What are we going to ask Fred: Go for Green Communities now.

VOTE: Unanimous vote to have Chris reach out to Kathy for estimates on cost to apply for MVP block grant and request Fred approve funds for that task.

School Committee voted unanimously to move forward with the solar and battery project. It will now be on the town meeting warrant. It is a little different. Economics on the 30% ITC rather than 40% and SMART as gone down to 250kW solar system for canopies so economics have come down. We are going to look at possible. Looks like we going to be at a 250kW, that's now at a 30% ITC instead of 40%.

Town warrant includes the DPW system. Structural is being done on the roof so contingent on that.