

AGENDA

Gloucester Clean Energy Commission

Thursday, February 27, 2020, 7:00 PM
City Hall, 9 Dale Ave., 1st Floor Conference Room

General Discussion (15 minutes)

1. Approve Meeting Minutes, if available: 11/20/19; 1/23/20
2. Member reports on conferences, meetings, etc. (CEC): feedback re Cape Ann Climate Crisis Action projects. Others?

Staff and Member Topics/ Updates/ Discussions (75 minutes)

1. Ed Woll, Marcia Hart and Ellen Leaman: discussion of Future Act (proposed State legislation for utilities to transition to renewable energy, and manage gas leaks). Recommend City support?
2. Update on C-PACE program (Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy), which will soon be initiated in Massachusetts via MassDevelopment agency.
3. Questions for Community Development Dept.: status of new City/CEC web-pages? Status of hiring new Senior Planner whose roles include being a liaison between CEC and Community Development on energy matters. See also Agenda item 4, below.
4. Update on Solsmart Program Silver Certification and Solar Zoning Ordinance progress.
5. Review CEC Strategic Plan assignments of various topics/issues to CEC members, such as Library project, school projects, social media, legislation, community solar, etc.
6. CEC vacancies: there is still one open position on CEC. Candidates to recommend?
7. Status of CEC 5-year report and preparations for updating Mayor/Council on current CEC projects and asking them to set guidelines for CEC collaborations with non-profit organizations and programs; avoiding political, procurement and liability issues when City "partners" with outside organizations.

Wrap up: Review action items, next meeting date, adjournment