



## SUSTAINABLE ENERGY COMMITTEE

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### Monthly Meeting

Kingsley Board Room

4 Municipal Way

Wellesley, MA 02481

April 5, 2019

### Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 am by Laura Olton. Present were Sustainable Energy Committee (SEC) members: Laura Olton (SEC Chair), Tom Ulfelder, and Michael D'Ortenzio, Jr. Also present were: Marybeth Martello (SEC Administrator), Leanne Cowley, Ellen Korpi, Jaden Crawford, Pamela Posey, Trish Glass, Dan Vogel, Sue Morris, Scott Bender, Andrea Ward, and Richard Lee.

Absent: Fred Bunger

**Citizen Speak** – Daniel Vogel noted that someone should post a sign at the Recycling and Disposal Facility (RDF) to stop idling. Green Schools and the RDF administration are working on this issue.

**Minutes** – Laura Olton moved to approve the minutes from the SEC's March 1 meeting. Michael D'Ortenzio, Jr. seconded and the Committee *voted unanimously to accept the March 1, 2019 minutes.*

### **Project Updates**

Ellen Korpi, Marybeth Martello and Phyllis Theermann met with Wellesley High School Student Congress members to brainstorm about school transportation and parking and plan for a school transportation stakeholder meeting.

Ellen attended a presentation at the Kennedy School of Government yesterday. Transportation is a key area that requires our attention. Swing space discussions regarding the Hardy, Hunnewell, Upham Project (HHU) involve moving entire grades from one school to another.

Busing will be especially important to support the redistricting that may occur during HHU construction. We should see transportation as an opportunity, rather than a challenge, especially for parents. In nearby communities, a significantly larger percentage of students ride the bus in comparison to Wellesley students.

The Transportation Working Group of the SEC, led by Ellen Korpi, focuses on lowering emissions. The Mobility Working Group is a town-wide group led by Ellen Gibbs focusing on transportation issues. Ellen Korpi and Ellen Gibbs met with the Council on Aging and are exploring opportunities associated with the Metrowest Regional Transit Authority (MWRTA) Number 1 Bus, which runs through Wellesley on Route 9, but does not stop in Wellesley. There are now signs on Route 9 claiming a bus stop, but the bus is not yet stopping at these locations. The MWRTA is asking for data showing that people would participate in a pilot project.

### **Electric Vehicle Charging Program**

Don Newell of the MLP discussed the Bring Your Own Charger (BYOC) program slated for May 1 launch and is looking for support from the SEC. This app-based program requires no special hardware and provides an \$8/month credit on your WMLP electric bill for charging your Electric Vehicle during non-peak hours

### **Sustainable Building Guidelines**

Marybeth Martello delivered a draft presentation on Sustainable Building Guidelines. The Committee provided feedback.

Laura made a motion to adjourn at 10:32am, seconded by Michael, *and the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn.*