

Approved 8/11/2021

Energy Committee Minutes July 14, 2021 @ 7:00 P.M.

The meeting took place at the Alden Pavilion behind the town offices.

Present: Peter LaPointe (representing the Building Committee), Conrad Liebenow, Matt Stowell, Renee Schmidt, Tim Walter, Judy Williams

Tim Walter called the meeting to order and asked that the minutes of the last meeting be read. The last meeting was May 24 rescheduled from the May 12 meeting which was adjourned because of lack of information. There was no meeting in June awaiting necessary information. The minutes of the May 24 meeting were approved unanimously with no additions or corrections.

Conrad presented data for the Hallock Building and Town Hall which indicated energy conservation measures using air source heat pumps and insulation. The total cost using all of the \$111,576 remaining from the Green Community's Designation grant would leave a deficit of \$8129.

Conrad, also, presented a data analysis entitled Plainfield Municipal Energy Analysis for FY 2017-2021. The cost of gasoline and diesel for FY 2021 was reduced by almost \$7000 compared to FY 2020 due to COVID. There was only a \$1000 reduction in the cost of electricity for FY 2021 compared to FY 2020. The cost of oil for the Hallock Bldg., Town Hall, & Highway garage decreased by \$800. The cost of propane for the fiber hut, Hathaway Hall, & Public Safety Bldg. Increased by \$1700.

After considerable discussion a motion was made by Matt and seconded by Renee to proceed with insulation and heat pumps for the town hall and insulation for the Hallock Bldg. Also, a quote for minisplits and the cost of electric upgrade for the Hallock Bldg will be requested. Conrad will proceed with implementing the previous motion.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:37. The next meeting is Aug. 11, 2021 at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Bryan Williams