

**Energy Commission**  
Minutes of Regular Meeting  
May 20, 2021 Zoom Meeting

PRESENT: Sean Dunn, Jeff Andrade, Karen Hintz, Jack Ferraro, Sheldon Scott, Tom Ragaini

ABSENT: Dave Butkus

ALSO PRESENT: Orlando Calfe, Ray Rogozinski and Greg Hahn (*entered at 7:25 p.m.*)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Public Participation

*None*

3. Approval of the regular meeting minutes – April 15, 2021

*Commissioner Ferraro made a motion seconded by Commissioner Sheldon “to approve the minutes from April 15, 2021.” Motion approved. Commissioner Hintz and Ferraro abstained.*

4. Updates by Dave Oakes, Public Facilities & Energy Manager

Dave Oakes updated the Committee on the following projects:

- City is looking to partner with PosiGen again for another round of Solar for All
- 51 High Street projects – boiler replacement and conversion to natural gas
- Firehouse Headquarters renovations are wrapping up, punch list items are being completed
- Discussion was held on downtown fuel cell, incorporating into City Hall renovations

5. Energy Plan – Next Phase

Chairman Dunn discussed the possibility of a student intern working over the summer to update portfolio manager to update the database. Sean will reach out to the Mayor’s Office.

Councilman Hahn discussed the ARPA funds, the Energy Commission should submit an application for any projects which will be accepted in June for consideration of these funds. Greg would like to see the possibility of car chargers downtown, either through grants or the ARPA funding.

Ray Rogozinski spoke regarding the potential fuel cell, Public Works has provided base info on the square footage of buildings, potential usage for sizing required for a fuel size and are working with the engineer of the City Hall project. The buildings would still have emergency generators, but there is potential for the fuel cell to connect City Hall, Police and Fire Department. There is less interest in the Middle Street property for a fuel cell due to this being prime real estate.

Jack stated Mum Festival will run September 24 – 26, if the Commission is interested in a booth with information or if the Solar for All program is up by then it a possibility for a location to spread the word of the Commission and educate the public.

6. Any Other Business

Discussion was held on future meetings, it was agreed to start to meet hybrid, with zoom as an option for those who do not feel comfortable coming in person.

7. Adjournment

*Commissioner Ferraro made a motion seconded by Commissioner Scott "to adjourn at 8:01 p.m." Motion approved.*

*Jodi A. McGrane*  
Recording Secretary

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