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Environment & Energy Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday June 16th 2022, 6:00pm

IN PERSON City Hall Room 208

Sylvie called the meeting to order at 6:06pm

Attendance: Arden Cala, Taylor Barry, Dante , Mike Turcotte, Sylvie Stewart, Doria Brown, Aldermen Jette, Alderwoman Kelly

Agenda:

1. Adoption of March/May meeting minutes
 - a. Alderwomen Kelly moved to accept the march and may meeting minute, Sylvie seconded (vote was taken without Arden Cala present), All were in favor
2. Committee Member Round up: Each committee member shares a program or project that they'd be interested to see the city start.
 - a. Aldermen Jette: Building code, Energy Conservation code from State from RSA 155-A.
 - i. Aldermen Jette pointed out that the Personnel Committee adopted a Energy Conservation code in 2021
 - ii. Mike Turcotte explained what the energy code means for the city
 - iii. Mike Turcotte gave an example of energy building code: every new home or a renovation of greater than 50% has to test the duct work and be within a certain perimeter.
 - iv. The group had a discussion about the New DPW build and how Energy Conservation Code might affect that project
 1. The committee voiced some frustrations that energy efficiency has not been taken into account from the start of the DPW new build project,

v. Aldermen Jette presented a potential action to bring some legislation to the full board of aldermen to (Doria check Jette Email for exact wording on the zero-energy emission for newbuilds)

1. The committee had a discussion on how they might bring this legislation to the board and what prep work is needed to do so.
2. Potential action: Invite Mayor Donchess to the next environment and energy committee meeting to discuss how new building, and renovation projects are done in the city. Working in how RFPs are done for the City and how the Energy Manager can be involved more from the beginning of the RFP process. The committee also wants to engage the mayor in a conversation on supporting a carbon fee and dividend program on the federal level.
3. Potential action: Invite the building department to the next environment and energy committee meeting to talk about stretch code.

3. Doria- Energy Manager Updates

- a. Doria Brown debriefed the committee on the Sustainability Department plan in the fiscal year 2024 budget.

4. New Recommendations for the Board of Aldermen

- a. Sylvie Stewart voiced that she wants to elevate recommendations to the Board of Alderman in the next committee agenda to be at the top of the list.

5. Other Business

- a. Taylor Barry gave a brief update on her club's high school solar goals.

6. Review Next Steps

Location:

Arden made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Doria Seconded, All were in favor. Meeting ended at 7:39pm
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