STERLING ENERGY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE:

Tuesday December 9, 2014

LOCATION:

SMLD Common Room, 50 Main Street, Sterling, MA

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Joe Curtin Sean Hamilton-Clerk Bill Tuttle

ABSENT:

Matt Stelmach, Tom Rutherford

The meeting opened at 7:20 a.m.

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APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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The agenda was approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the July 29, 2014 were presented. On a motion by Tuttle, second by Hamilton, 3-0 in favor of accepting the July 29, 2014 minutes as presented.

The minutes from the October 08, 2014 were accepted. On a motion by Tuttle, second by Hamilton, 3-0 in favor of accepting the minutes as presented.

CUSTOMER COMMENTS

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None

OLD BUSINESS

Hamilton informed the Committee that the SMLD Commissioners accepted the Energy Committee recommendation and D-E Corp of Leominster has been hired as the engineering company, at a price not to exceed \$8,000, to review the municipal buildings HVAC systems and make recommendations for the repairs. A list of the engineers that will be visiting the buildings has been sent to the PD, FD and DPW.

The Committee discussed the round one projects for submission to the SMLD Commissioners at their next meeting, no changes were made. On a motion by Tuttle, second by Curtin, 3-0 in favor the round one list will be presented to the SMLD commissioners for funding. The project list, recommended by the Energy Committee (EC) if approved by the SMLD Commissioners for funding, will then be sent to the Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company (MMWEC) along with the project specific documentation to put the project(s) into the rebate program.

Hamilton will ask the Commissioners to pre-fund the projects, through MMWEC, so all the Grant funds are not returned to SMLD; but are instead paid directly to the vendors.

Hamilton gave an update on the SMLD building renovations which included a report on how the SMLD determined the way to properly insulate the building using both cellulose and sprayed on foam. Also discussed was how the projects we are applying for, as part of the grant for SMLD, are being done at this time to coincide with the renovation project.

It was reported by Hamilton that the SMLD HVAC bid came in at \$73,000 and was awarded to Hall Safety Sheet Metal from Middleboro, the only other bid was \$87,300 from Royal Steam of Gardner.

There was a discussion on how projects performed before the grant was awarded would be submitted. Because of the delay in the contract signature by the state, some projects needed to be performed due to equipment failure including some lighting failures on some of the municipal buildings and the HVAC unit in the SMLD IT room.

Hamilton discussed the LED streetlight conversion and how we plan to not repair anymore older lights but replace them instead. Curtin commented how much the new lights improved the lighting on the streets. Hamilton stated we will soon begin replacing the lights on Redemption Rock Trail, weather permitting, and after the construction is complete. Tuttle asked if the 411 number are all the lights. Hamilton explained no, because some of the others are floodlights and are still too expensive to replace at this time; but the price is dropping.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Next Regular Meeting was not scheduled.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

At 7:45 am, Tuttle asked for a motion to adjourn, seconded by Hamilton, all in favor.

ATTEST:

Sean Hamilton, Clerk

DATE:

Attach:

July 29,2014 minutes
October 08, 2014 minutes

Sterling Building EE project list