

Wood County Renewable and Sustainable Committee

Date: Tuesday, January 12th, 2021

Time: 9:00 am

Location: Courthouse – Safety Training Room – Room 105A

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Public comments
- 3) Review/approve previous meeting minutes
- 4) PSC Grant Opportunities
- 5) Future agenda items
- 6) Next meeting date and time
- 7) Adjourn

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RENEWABLE & SUSTAINABLE COMMITTEE MEETING

DATE: Thursday, December 10, 2020
TIME: 9:00 AM
LOCATION: Wood County Courthouse – Safety Training Room

Present: Jake Hahn, Bill Leichtnam, Dave LaFontaine, Via WebEx: Al Breu, Mike Feirer,

Others

Present: Reuben Van Tassel, Nicole Gessert, Via WebEx: Bill Clendenning

1. Call Meeting to Order: Supervisor Hahn called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
2. Public Comments:
None
3. Review/approve previous meeting minutes:
Minutes from the October 21, 2020 R&S Committee meeting.

Motion: (LaFontaine/Leichtnam) to approve the prior meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
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4. North Central Regional Planning future opportunities:
No update.
5. PSC Grant Opportunities
Turyk shared grant funding opportunities that she located from The Wisconsin Public Service Commission (PSC). The PSC grant funding is offering an opportunity in one of four categories: Renewable Energy and Energy Storage; Energy Efficiency and Demand Response; Electric and Renewable Natural Gas Vehicles and Infrastructure; and Comprehensive Energy Planning. Lengthy discussion ensued.

Van Tassel indicated the grant time line and the budget calendar will affect the options that would be available.

Leichtnam questioned the possibility of solar panels at the Highway Dept. Hahn indicated one of the hurdles for the solar panels would be the application for the grant would be before the funding would be in place and we might be more likely to qualify if an energy study were in place before we would apply for funding for solar panels.

Motion: (LaFontaine/Breu) to move to consider the Comprehensive Energy Study as the activity to submit a grant for. Motion carried unanimously.

Turyk indicated due to the grant being an innovation grant it will be necessary to go beyond just building audits and it might be a good idea to include a plan for electric vehicles (EV) as well.

LaFontaine requested who would do the study. Turyk indicated she will verify with Faith Technologies what scope they cover. Discussion ensued. Turyk will reach out to Dale Ripp from Faith Technologies and will involve Van Tassel. Turyk will also invite Dale from Faith Technologies to the next R&S Committee meeting.

6. Future agenda items:
 - PSC Grant Opportunities – Faith Technologies

Turyk shared a future topic to consider would be the carbon market.

Leichtnam indicated it may be beneficial to consider solar options for renewable and sustainable energy as considerations are being made throughout the jail study conversations.

Leichtnam also indicated future discussions should consider talking about parcels adjacent to a solar array and the benefits possible to the County.

7. Next meeting:

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8. Adjourn Renewable & Sustainable Committee Meeting:
Supervisor Hahn declared the meeting adjourned @ 9:56 a.m.

Notes by Nicole Gessert, Maintenance Department