

**Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
11/19/10**

The Easton Board of Selectmen met at the Easton Town Offices, Selectmen's Office, 136 Elm Street, with Chair Colleen Corona presiding.

Members present: Colleen Corona, Ellen Barlow, Sean Noonan, and Town Administrator David Colton

Members not present: John Haederle and Irwin Cohen

Corona called the meeting to order at 10:22AM.

Easton Energy Reduction Plan

DPW Director Wayne Southworth was present.

The Board reviewed the Easton Energy Reduction Plan. Corona noted the need to accept the plan to have Easton considered for designation as a Green Community; becoming a Green Community will make the Town eligible for grant funding for energy projects.

Noonan referenced the Center School and the apparent need for a heating system and asked if this was something to be addressed in the near future. Southworth confirmed the need and noted that all three elementary schools are in need of heating systems and controls. Southworth is looking into using a local engineering firm to help analyze our municipal building heating and air conditioning needs.

Colton reiterated the need and suggested that the School Department is looking at the possibility of overall renovations for all three elementary schools.

Barlow asked if the hope is to get Green Community certified in efforts to get money to assist with design of heating and air conditioning systems. Colton suggested we still need to figure out what we may be eligible for. There was discussion about using CPA funds to help with the historical rebuilding of the exterior brick work at the Town Offices.

Corona asked if we have considered performance based contracts. Colton suggested in this economic climate, it would be cheaper for us to borrow money to do the projects because the interest rates are so low. With performance based contracts, the firm gets a portion of the energy savings money.

Voted: (Barlow/Noonan) voted unanimously to accept the Easton Energy Reduction Plan as submitted

Voted: (Barlow/Noonan) to authorize the Town Administrator David Colton to sign the application

Voted: (Barlow/Noonan) voted unanimously to adjourn (10:43AM)

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Southworth

List of Documents and Other Exhibits Used:

Easton Energy Reduction Plan

