Kittery Climate Adaptation Committee Minutes 5:30 PM, July 30, 2019

Kittery Town Hall, Conference Room A

- I. K. DeMarco, D. Driscoll, J. Duffy, S. Hall, L. Laurin, N. Lovett, J. O'Connell, J. Spiller, C. Wake. Guest: Melissa Paley
- II. Move to approve minutes by D. Driscoll, Seconded N. Lovett. unanimous
- III. Status of Vulnerability Assessments
 - Built and Natural Landscape Town property vulnerabilities/ flood checklist; staff meeting(s) in September, followed by facilitated public workshop in October. Funding to be sought from Maine Island Institute (Cameron and Judy). Committee members should become familiar with the checklist.
 - Energy efficiency and Sustainability Town energy use proposed Town greenhouse inventory data and related requests: revised draft request. Subcommittee will revise with introduction and add suggestion that energy accounting automatically part of Town reporting. Provide to Town Manager for implementation.

PowerPoint on value of energy accounting – comments to Lise

- Town response to climate-related public health and safety issues
 - o Emergency preparedness; disease borne vectors tick awareness
- IV. Communication Plan need to strategy for publicizing committee and its efforts
- V. Aug. 2 Navy Yard Meeting scheduled
- VI. Updates
 - Recent State Legislation

Governor Mill's carbon initiative and related legislation

L.D.1679, An Act To Promote Clean Energy Jobs and To Establish the Maine Climate Council, The Maine Climate Council will develop action plans to reduce Maine's greenhouse-gas (GHG) emissions 45% by 2030 and 80% by 2050; an increase in Maine's renewable portfolio standard (RPS) from 40% to 80% by 2030 and a goal of 100% renewable energy by 2050.

L.D.1494, An Act To Reform Maine's Renewable Portfolio Standard doubles the state's renewable portfolio standards and under it, the Public Utilities Commission must procure long-term contracts for new clean energy generation, which may be paired with energy storage.

L.D.1711, An Act To Promote Solar Energy Projects and Distributed Generation Resources in Maine will incentivize at least 375 MW of new distributed generation in Maine, which is expected to be primarily solar PV development for projects under 5 MW. The bill creates two separate but complementary incentives, one for commercial and institutional customers and another for community solar projects, with prices that are set competitively and decline in subsequent procurements. This bill also removes the net energy billing account and size cap, requires that community solar projects serve low- and moderate-income customers, and encourages the development of landfill and brownfield projects. It allows for a new net energy-billing program with an alternative bill credit for non-residential customers

- Opportunities for Kittery
 - Me. Seacoast Communities Meeting
 - Island Institute survey of southern Maine community climate planning
- VII. Other Need to develop guidelines for meeting participation of residents and others not officially appointed to the committee. Develop tips for residents on energy saving
- VIII. Next meeting September 10, 5 pm, conf. rm. A

IX. Move to Adjourn by D. Driscoll; seconded by N. Lovett. Unanimous @ 6:35 pm