

Eastport Energy Committee
Port Authority
Minutes
June 11, 2025

Attendees:

Chair - Jeanne Peacock
Vice Chair - Michael Morse
Secretary -Victoria Ganz
Chester Jenkins
Chris Carrol
Dale Devonshire
Pat Christopher
David Dineen
Brenna Cohen - Island Institute
Absent Marleen Russ
Absent Council Liaison
Absent Megan Stark - Energy Navigator

1. Call to Order: 1330
2. Adjustments to the Agenda: None
3. Review Minutes: Motion to accept minutes. MM/DD Passed
4. Old Business: Jeanne: i. Sipayik Power up Program May 31St, went very well. They had interesting exhibits and a wonderful dinner by Jess Francis. ii. Sy Coffee is unavailable this week. Jeanne asked for multiple copies of the Governor's Energy plan for us to review before he speaks.
5. New Business:
Jeanne - i. No Clarification from Island Institute on Energy Prize I carryover to Energy Prize II. Approximately \$788.00 remains in Energy Prize I of \$26,000. Energy Prize II is \$17,000 for energy improvement. Anyone who has done projects secondary to an audit (Dale bought a door and is having insulation installed now, New to You bought insulation, Dave Young did insulation) please submit invoices to Brenna. With invoices, we can get up to \$2000.00 incentive money per household. John Newcomb 207-801-1914 is available for work. Check Efficiency Maine certification for heat pumps. Submit invoices for EP I by June 18th. Checks have to be cut by month end. New Side Door for City Hall being ordered.
We need to work on EP II budget.

Brenna - ii. Island Institute Plan, they will bring on a new person dedicated to Eastport to work with us on EP II and work on climate planning with Brenna. Start end of Summer and ready for our Fall meeting. Brenna will likely step back.

6. Energy Navigator Report: Jeanne i. Meg has a spreadsheet of contacts (7) who she and Pete are window measuring for our Fall build. 100+, awaiting final number. Jeanne doing an add in Quoddy tides for people interested in Window Inserts, Energy Audits and recruiting volunteers for the Fall build. Should be in the next June issue. Meg will be point of contact.

ii. Brenna - Could Q-tides give us some free advertising an article/story on Window Dressers, a monthly column? Jeanne to contact Lura Jackson. Dale suggested a monthly update under Eastport News like Senior Center and the Chamber. Also Facebook Bulletin board via Tessa. Meg being asked to call the workers from last year to help again this year.

iii. Jeanne - COA vs Collin to do Eastport Audits. Motion - for consistency sake stay with Collin MM/CC passed. COA will do Sipayik. Have Sam accompany Collin? Jeanne and Victoria to host Collin.

iv. EV Charger Grant - Jeanne - Kate Klibansky, Island Institute asked if Eastport wanted help getting EV chargers. Would Tonya Rukowsky and Kate look for available Grants? We need Level 2 chargers. Brenna will work with Kate and get back to us. Locations, across from Moose Island Marine, Port Authority and perhaps the new Health Center? Can boat chargers charge cars? Will look into details if we can get a grant.

v. Volunteer Recruitment - Jeanne - see above discussion re: add v information in Q-Tides.

vi. City Hall Energy Savings Project and Senior Center Lighting - Jeanne

a. Motion to spend up to \$2000 for a new side door for City Hall, installed.

Motion VG/CC Passed

b. Motion to hire an electrician for a quote, up to \$2000 to install LED lighting at the new Sr. Center. Motion VG/CC Passed (update - this was cut from the grant after our meeting, per Jeanne)

vii. Accept Michael Morse Resignation as Vice Chair. He is now the Chair of the Chamber of Commerce. You will be missed Michael. VG/DD regrettably Passed

viii. Motion to accept David Dineen as Vice Chair of our Committee. VG/DD Welcome David Passed

7. Open Forum: None

8. Next Meeting: September 10, 2025, 1300, Port Authority

9. Motion to Adjourn: MM/CC Passed 1420