

Military Economic Advisory Committee Minutes
January 17, 2019
Port of Morrow Riverfront Center, Boardman, Oregon

Attendees: Bob Guertin, Larry Lindsay, Stan Hutchison Stephen Wrecsics, Carla Mclane

By Phone: Debbie Lankford, Jerry Rietmen, Kim Peacher, Laura Minor, Kellen Tardaewweather

Introductions were made and minutes from October and December 2018 were reviewed. The group approved the October minutes with the correction of Stan Hutchison's name, and the added reference of the Navy real estate 50-year lease secured for the B2H project. December meeting notes were accepted as submitted.

Mission, Vision, Goals, and Objectives Discussion:

The group agreed that development work for the Mission Statement and Goals should be considered complete and final in form, however, can be amended in the future. Group members will begin to have focused conversation surrounding each goal and begin drafting action items in support of that particular goal. It was suggested that given the current development and political environment the group should first focus on action items relating to Green Energy Corridors.

Morrow County Planning Commission

Renewable Energy Work Sessions Update:

The scheduled work session for the January Planning Commission will include a presentation and discussion by Kerrie Standlee surrounding wind energy modeling, acoustics, and noise. There was a short conversation about noise standards and how the work sessions could drive future wind standards in Morrow County.

Energy Project Updates:

Boardman to Hemmingway – DPO is currently being drafted, issuance date for the DPO and corresponding DPO hearing date tentatively by the next MEAC meeting. Agency comment letters on the complete application have been received by EFSC. EFSC anticipating additional information from IPC in response to comment letters.

Green Energy Corridor- Covered under action item discussion, no major updates. The group had a brief discussion surrounding LCDDC rulemaking.

Wheatridge – Amendment 2 and 3 are completed. EFSC has received a request for Amendment 4 to add solar generation with battery storage.

Nolin Hills – Surveys being completed, application for preliminary site certificate pending.

Orchard Wind – Awaiting start of construction, expected later this year with planned operation middle of 2020.

Boardman Solar – Local CUP has been issued, Gilliam County CUP pending for GenTie, tentative 2020 to begin construction.

Carty Solar – No updates.

Harp and Morrow Solar – Both Harp Solar and Morrow Solar projects were sold to Avingrid.

Items for the Good of the Order:

Final RAICUZ under review by Navy with June or July targeted for Morrow County open house. Navy on hold with B2H, waiting on IPC SHPO study. Morrow County thanked OMD for facilitating the video conference call and site tour in December. LCDC Solar RAC wrapped up and will go to hearing at the end of January. EFSC Solar RAC January 30 in Boardman.

Meeting adjourned 10:05