



TOWN OF MARBLETOWN

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Marbletown was convened in public session at the Town Hall, 1925 Lucas Ave Cottekill, New York on November 7, 2019 at 7:00 o'clock P.M. local time. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Rich Parete, and, upon roll being called, the following were:

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION # -2019; RENEWABLE EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES PURCHASING

WHEREAS, The Town of Marbletown has declared Climate Change to be an emergency.

WHEREAS, The Town of Marbletown has committed itself to eliminating fossil fuels from its operations by 2050 or sooner given commercially available solutions.

WHEREAS, the purchase of equipment and vehicles which burn fossil fuel is making a financial investment in the continued use of fossil fuel for the design lifetime of that equipment or vehicle, even if that equipment or vehicle is sold by the Town to be used by other entities.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following language shall be added to the Town of Marbletown's Purchasing Policy:

DEFINITIONS:

Fossil Fuel Equipment or Vehicle (FFEV) shall be defined as any equipment, hardware, appliance, tool, heating or cooling system, generator, or vehicle which uses gasoline, diesel, propane, natural gas, kerosene, coal, or similar fuels.

Hybrid-Electric Equipment or Vehicle (HEEV) shall be defined as any FFEV which uses electric motors and batteries to allow FFEV to run more efficiently and use less fuel.

Plug-in Hybrid Electric Equipment or Vehicle (PHEEV) shall be defined as any HEEV where the batteries can be charged from an external source and which allow the PHEEV to operate without the use of fossil fuels while the batteries have enough charge.

Electric or Renewable Equipment or Vehicle (EREV) shall be defined as any equipment, hardware, appliance, tool, heating or cooling system, generator, or vehicle designed to use electricity or a renewable fuel such as sun, wind, water flow, wood, agricultural residues, or household, commercial, industrial, or agricultural waste as its energy source.

1. The Town shall not purchase any FFEV without first obtaining quotes for equivalent HEEV, PHEEV, and EREVs if such equipment or vehicles are commercially available.
2. The Town shall not purchase any HEEV without first obtaining quotes for equivalent PHEEV and EREVs if such equipment or vehicles are commercially available.
3. The Town shall not purchase any PHEEV without first obtaining a quote for equivalent EREV if such electric or renewable fuel equipment or vehicle is commercially available.
4. The Town shall not purchase any new FFEV, HEEV, or PHEEV with a design life at the time of purchase which would leave it still in use in 2040. For example, any new FFEV purchased in 2020 shall not have a design life in excess of 20 (=2040-2020) years.
5. The Town shall not purchase any used FFEV, HEEV, or PHEVs with a remaining estimated life which would leave it still in use after 2045.
6. When considering the purchase of any FFEV, HEEV, PHEV, or EREV, the lifetime fuel consumption and cost for that equipment or vehicle shall be estimated and used to inform the purchasing decision. Purchasers are encouraged to consult the Environmental Conservation Commission for assistance with estimating lifetime fuel consumption and cost.

This policy shall apply both to purchases over \$50 by the Town, and any purchases by shared entities including High Falls Water and the Rondout Municipal Center which require approval by the Marbletown Town Board.