

MARBLETOWN'S STREETLIGHT IMPROVEMENT PROCESS

DATA BEFORE INVENTORY:

POLE #	TYPE	SIZE	RP RTE	ST-LOC
K 0011369	MV	7000	A	ATWOOD & PEA
UH 0004031	MV	7000	A	FIREHOUSE
0146741	HPS	16000	A	HIGHLAND RD
0123514	MV	7000	A	PINE BUSH &
K 0046498	HPS	27000	R A	RT 209 & KRI
K 0014698	HPS	27000	A	RT 209 & MAR
K 0067810	MV	7000	A	RT 213
K 0037905	MV	20000	A	RT 213 & RT
0104714	HPS	16000	A	TOWN HALL
CP 0057035	HPS	5800	A	TOWN LAND FI
0119767	HPS	5800	A	VLY-ATWOOD F
K 0020212	HPS	16000	A	WHITELANDS
DEPR	ESS ENT	ER FOR AD	DITIONAL	INFORMATION

DATA AFTER INVENTORY:

Inventory Summary



Status		Most Rec	ent Update	Annual Costs
	🔟 Count			Type 💌 2015, Before Inventor 2017, After Removal After LED Conversion
Credited		Change		All Light \$17,600 \$13,620 \$9,628
Dark			102885	
LED		Updated		Marbletown's
Removed	19			Annual Streetlight Costs
Repaired				■ 2015, Before Inventory 2017, After Removals After LED Conversion
Reposition				
Requested				
Unwanted				\$17,600
Working				
TOTAL				512,420

HOW WE STARTED

Central Hudson supplied us with pole ID numbers and truncated location data, which you can see on Page 1. Recent bills came from the town bookkeeper.

There were about 80 lights to look at, including several in Tongore Park, which are billed to the Youth and Rec Dept.

Then we simply drove and walked around, finding lights and matching pole numbers.

Billing Breakdown from One of Marbletown's Lighting Districts

For Street Lighting Service rendered the GENERAL TWN CHARGE during the month of October 2015.

Size Lamps (Lumens)	Company Owned Fixtures	Monthly Charge	kWh
7000 Mercury Vapor	4	\$ 57.88	308
20000 Mercury Vapor	1	18.31	168
5800 Sodium Vapor	5	65.05	160
16000 Sodium Vapor	4	57.84	268
27000 Sodium Vapor	2	35.06	234
Rental Poles (3)		14.61	
Total	16	\$ 248.75	1,138

Pole #	Location	CH Location	District/Rte	СН Туре	CH Size	in
separator			High Falls Dist.: 27 lights			
0168943		<u>Berme</u> Rd	HF – A	HPS	5800	
0103349		Bruceville,R	HF – A	мv	7000	
0103342		Canal Rd	HF – A	мv	7000	
0103341		Fairview Ave	HF – A	мν	7000	
0103340		Fairview Ave	HF – A	HPS	5800	
0103339		Lucas <u>Toke</u> &	HF – A	MV	7000	
0108804		Lucas Toke	HF – A	мν	7000	

THE DATA

A large majority of the inventory was completed by me and the chairman of Marbletown's Environmental Conservation Commission.

We used a rough spreadsheet to start, with a minimum of data columns.

Field work took precedent over computer time, so we added more columns and formatting as we went.

It became clear during our nightly field work that the town's streetlights were in a serious need of attention. One-third had a problem to address.

Some lights were not working properly; either off at night, flickering, or on during the day (dayburners). We also noticed some possible misbillings. Two lights appeared to be private, and two more were missing.

THE SPREADSHEET

Eventually our field work slowed down and I was able to spend more time on the advanced features of Excel, such as pivot tables. We created columns for everything so crunching numbers would be easier.

Marbletown Streetlights

Type Fil 🚝 🌾	Pole I.D.	J Update	Location	•	Dist/Rte -	New Type,	Orig. Type,	New Size,	Orig. Size 🗸
Credited	19767	Working	Vly-Atwood Fire Dept.		GTC / A	HPS	HPS	5800	5800
Dark	48301	Working	Bruceville Rd. @ Rt. 213		HF / A	HPS	HPS	27000	27000
	48302	Working	1204 Rt. 213		HF / A	HPS	HPS	16000	16000
LED	48499	Working	30 School Hill Rd.		HF / A	HPS	HPS	5800	5800
Removed	61427	Working	53 School Hill Rd.		HF / A	HPS	HPS	5800	5800
Repaired	62650	LED	Rt. 209 @Tongore Rd.		GTC / A	LED	Requested	3600	0
Reposition	102575	Working	Rt. 213 across from 2nd St.		HF / A	HPS	HPS	27000	27000
	102885	Removed	Old Rt. 213 @ P.O. Lot		HF / A	Removed	HPS	0	I 6000
Requested	103298	Working	Steep Hill Rd. @ Mohonk Rd.		HF / A	MV	MV	7000	7000
Unwanted	103337	Removed	1462 Rt. 213		HF / A	Removed	HPS	0	5800
Working	103338	Working	2234 Lucas Tpke		HF / A	HPS	HPS	5800	5800
	103339	Working	Fairview Ave. @ Lucas Tpke		HF / A	MV	MV	7000	7000

25% of the town's lights were eventually removed. At that point, we had more data columns than lights.



This isn't meant to be read; it's here to give a visual representation of how large our final spreadsheet is. The turquoise rectangle shows the scale.

The data fields include:

- Light information
- Pole information
- Observations about the area
- Removal opportunities
- Resident feedback
- Cost breakdowns
- Electricity usage

INVENTORY VISUALS



Above: Dropping our spreadsheet data into ArcGIS was helpful for presentations and group decisions.

Below: Google Street View kept us from having to drive back to every light when we needed extra information. Google's copyright date for this image showed us that this dayburner had been on constantly for at least 3 years.



BILL CREDIT

We matched one pole number to a light in a church parking lot.

Aside from the odd location, the big giveaway that it isn't a town light is the fact it's facing away from the street.

This turned out to be a light that was being double-billed. The town received multiple years of credit, with interest.

We found one more misbilled light and discovered that another was knocked down during a car accident and never replaced.



Proving the non-existence of the streetlight below got our bill credit up to \$5,500. There was supposed to be a light near "Town Land," which turned out to be the town's Transfer Station. As you can see, it's not there. After months of no acknowledgement, I inventoried every power pole in each direction for more than a mile, and then inventoried the lights and poles at the Water District land nearby. It took a lot of work, but the money eventually appeared.



COST SHEETS

This is an example of how information would sometime come in bits. Below is a chart I dug up with no year listed and only sodium vapor lights included. When I received additional data, I'd cross-check it for accuracy.

Sodium Vapor Lights	Annual kWh	Annual charge	VS	Equivalent LED fixture	Annual kWh	Annual charge	Annual charge Savings Per year	Energy (kWh) Savings	Total Savings Per Street Light When Replaced with LED
70-watt sodium vapor	344	\$156.13		39-watt LED	156	\$140.18	(\$15.95)	(\$14.97)	(\$30.92)
150-watt sodium vapor	720	\$173.53		82-watt LED	328	\$158.03	(\$15.50)	(\$31.21)	(\$46.71)
250-watt sodium vapor	1,264	\$210.39		93-watt LED	372	\$191.01	(19.38)	(\$71.02)	(\$90.40)

What you see below is a more comfortable amount of cost data. It's also a lesson on taming the urge to make everything beautiful. This specific spreadsheet never saw the light of day, so there was no reason to punch up the formatting.

Туре	Watts	Lumens	Watts	kWh	kWh	-	2015	2016	2017	2017 Total	Per Month
HPS	70	5800	86	344	\$17.20		\$156.13	\$163.31	\$169.55	\$186.75	\$15.56
HPS	150	16000	180	720	\$36.00		\$173.53	\$181.51	\$188.44	\$224.44	\$18.70
HPS	250	27000	316	1264	\$63.20		\$210.39	\$220.07	\$228.48	\$291.68	\$24.31
HPS	400	50000	496	1984	\$99.20		\$237.27	\$248.18	\$257.66	\$356.86	\$29.74
MV	175	7000	208	832	\$41.60		\$173.69	\$181.68	\$188.62	\$230.22	\$19.19
MV	250	11000	296	1184	\$59.20		\$188.41	\$197.08	\$204.61	\$263.81	\$21.98
MV	400	15K/20K	455	1820	\$91.00		\$219.83	\$229.94	\$238.72	\$329.72	\$27.48
LED	39	3600	39	156	\$7.80		\$126.04	\$131.84	\$136.88	\$144.68	\$12.39
LED	82	7200	82	328	\$16.40		\$166.71	\$174.38	\$181.04	\$197.44	\$16.45
LED	93	10000	93	372	\$18.60		\$200.02	\$209.22	\$217.21	\$235.81	\$19.65
LED	153	17600	153	612	\$30.60		\$229.14	\$239.68	\$248.84	\$279.44	\$23.29

This might be a good place to point out that we also tamed the urge to create a lengthy report. We created documents as needed and never got beyond Excel charts, PowerPoint presentations and what you see on the next page.

INFOGRAPHICS

I needed to create visual anchors to make Word docs/email attachments easier to digest. I decided on icons.



I eventually created a data box for every light, and used them for repairs, removal requests, repositioning requests and status updates. These were a useful addition to Excel pivot tables, which automatically created the charts. (See page 1.)

Voting for Marbletown Streetlight Elimination

There are 10 streetlights that can be removed through Board action. An 11th light is being requested as an addition. Making the fallowing four decisions before looking at the single lights can speed up the process.

STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3	STEP 4
Pass the Draft Resolution	Decide whether you would	Decide whether you accept	For areas that are reported to
(sent to Mike on 9/22)	want to keep a streetlight if a	the opinion of highway	be causing drivers problems,
allowing Central Hudson to	single homeowner wants it for	departments that streetlights	decide whether it would be
replace broken lights with	either safety, aesthetics or to	outside of pedestrian areas do	better to add signs and/or
appropriately sized LEDs.	use as driveway illumination.	not increase public safety.	reflective material.

THE LIGHTS



September 22, 2016

REMOVALS: THE HOMEWORK

The infographic on the previous page was for the Town Board to consider removals (decommissioning). At that point, we had already spent months on preparation.

We talked to homeowners, fire chiefs, the Highway Department and got opinions from experts.

Below is the draft of a letter the town sent out in advance of public comment. There were multiple versions, and they went to all homeowners living within a certain distance to every light under consideration for removal. The town added its letterhead to the drafts, and the Town Supervisor signed every one.

	Michael E. Warren Supervisor, Town of <u>Marbletown</u> 1925 Lucas Avenue <u>Cottekill</u> , NY 12419
April 1, 2016	
Stone Ridge, NY	12484
Dear	
As part of the Tow considering conve an inventory of the working, not work be needed and pos	In of Marbletown's efforts to promote energy efficiency and keep down costs, we are rting street lights in Town to LED technology. As a first step in this process, we took e 76 street lights in the Town of Marbletown, and found that a number of them are not ting properly, may be too bright for the area, or too dim, and that some lights may not asibly could be removed.
There are two stre which may not be Main. Since you o street lights. Pleas postage-paid enve	etlights on Main Street (Route 209) in the mostly residential north end of Stone Ridge needed: one at approximately 3476 Main St, and one at approximately 3501 own property in this area, we would like your input on the possible elimination of these se feel free to contact me by email, or mail any comments you may have in the enclosed lope. We would appreciate receiving any comments by May 1, 2016.
Thank you.	

Most feedback was in support of removals, with homeowners citing light pollution and energy savings. One of our fire chiefs was present at the Board meeting during public comment in case anyone had safety concerns.

One of the reasons this process was so successful was because we didn't have an agenda of saving as much money as possible. Logic allowed us to take some lights out of consideration for removal while still doing the field inventory.

REMOVALS: THE FORMS

We had two rounds of removals in the months following the inventory. There is a third underway, which will put the town at 20 removed lights, or 25%. For each round, the utility needs a page for each lighting district.

		KING	STON, NY 12 (845) 452-2	2401-3601 2700	
		STREET L	GHTING AUTH	ORITY ORDER	PAGE 1
	TOWN OF MAR TOWN CLERK PO BOX 217 STONE RIDGE	BLETOWN NY 12484-021	17	ORDER NO ACCOUNT DATE:	NO.: H3-02498 NO.: 07/06/16
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REPOSITIONING

We had two lights that needed to be repositioned. One was shining over the road but useless for the fire house at the corner. The other was illuminating a small road, but no light hit the state highway it intersected with.

I made the two pages below with the intention of them going straight to the utility, so there would be no question about the new light position.



REPAIRS



I noticed a mystery LED shortly after we had placed a repair call on an old light and made some inquiries.

Turns out the utility had decided to start replacing broken lights with LEDs, using the closest equivalent size. It was way too bright at night.

This was when we found out we could have the town pass a resolution on sizing guidelines. This meant "free" LEDs that were sized according to need, not based on older lights that might have been too bright to begin with.

Below is the first part of the resolution, which was passed as quickly as possible and went straight to the utility.

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 Avenue, Cottekill, New York on October 4, 2016 at 7:00 o'clock PM local time. The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Michael Warren and upon roll being called, the following were present:
Present: Joe Borzumato, Douglas Adams and Michael Warren
Absent: Tim Sweeney and Patricia Clarke
The following Resolution was offered by Councilman Adams, seconded by Councilman Borzumato to wit:
<u>Resolution: #39-2016; Town of Marbletown Guidelines for Sizing LED Replacement</u> <u>Streetlamps</u>
WHEREAS under Central Hudson Gas & Electric Company ("Central Hudson")'s Blanket Authority which replaced streetlamps in accord with the size of the lights currently in use that are

Before the year was up, the town had 10 LEDs. Eight were from repairs and two were new additions. Some lights were repaired before the utility made the LED replacement decision, so those lights are still mercury vapor or high-pressure sodium.

ADDITIONAL LEDs

The town has boiled down the purchasing decision to three options:

- The Mid-Hudson Streetlight Consortium
- Central Hudson
- A combination





The current idea is a combination. Marbletown is involved in NYSERDA's Clean Energy Communities program with the goal of receiving funding for additional projects. A 50% conversion level will complete one CEC action. Because of this, the town might want to work quickly to add more LEDs. This can be accomplished through Central Hudson using some of the bill credit received from misbillings.

If that is the decision, Marbletown can wait for the Consortium to determine what to do with the remaining 50% of its lights.

LED PURCHASING FACTORS

Factor	Mid-Hudson Streetlight Consortium	Central Hudson
Availability	Waiting for Conclusions	Now
Fixture Types	Unknown	Might be increasing
Price to Switch Out Light	Unknown	\$117
Average Annual Fixture Increase	Unknown	4.2 percent (2015-2017)
Buy Light from Central Hudson	\$234	
Upkeep Costs After Buyout	Unknown	
Power Charge After Buyout	Unknown	5 cents per kWh

2015 INVENTORY



INVENTORY RESULTS



2016 REPAIRS



REMOVALS AND CURRENT COUNT



RESOURCES AND CONTACTS

Used For Inventory:

- --Town streetlight list
- --Town Bills
- --Spreadsheet
- --GPS Coordinates
- --ArcGIS map
- --Street view Grabs
- --Photos

Created For Communication:

- --Presentations
- --Infographics
- --One-sheets

For Repairs, Removals, Conversions

- --Cost comparison lists
- --CH Authority Order template
- --Town resolution for utility
- --Resident letter

Communication With:

- --Town Supervisor
- --Town Board
- --Residents and businesses
- --Fire and highway departments
- --ECC
- --Other towns
- --Central Hudson
- --NYSERDA
- --CSC
- --CEC
- --Auditors
- --Mid-Hudson Streetlight Consortium:
 - Courtney Strong Inc.
 - Citizens for Local Power