Enfield Energy Committee Minutes - April 9, 2019

Attending: Travis Boucher, Marta Ceroni, Charlie Clark, Jo-Ellen Courtney, Charles DePuy, Kurt Gotthard

- 1. <u>Weatherize Canaan-Enfield</u>: The program has been widely successful, with nearly 100 families expressing interest, 58 of whom signed up for low cost energy audits. Of these, 31 are still "participating" with 5 signed contracts and 11 waitlisted and ready to sign contracts when rebates from NHSaves again become available. Jo-Ellen reports the campaign is winding down.
- 2. <u>Electrical Upgrades to Municipal Buildings:</u> Charlie Clark has facilitated a number of projects at the DPW, Community Hall, and the Union Street Fire Station (see enclosure). The Committee's budgeted fund is available to supplement the discounted costs these projects have and will incur. Charlie will explore the chance at a free energy audit of the DPW by Liberty.
- 3. <u>Streetlight Purchase Proposal:</u> Travis Boucher has produced a return-on-investment scenario for the Town's purchase (and replacement with LED fixtures) of some or all of our currently utility-owned streetlights. The ROI looks attractive at 6-10 years. The proposal will be presented to the Selectboard once the data are more refined. Assuming Liberty agrees, the Town would own and maintain these very low maintenance lights and would pay Liberty Utilities a fixed energy rate per fixture, based on roughly half the existing KWH usage. This avoids metering the lights or paying Liberty a maintenance charge.
- 4. <u>Enfield Energy Plan:</u> Charlie DePuy will continue to work with Vicky Davis, the Town Planner, to edit and incorporate the 2014 draft Energy Plan into the Town Master Plan as it is updated. the Committee indicated a desire to keep the Energy Plan undivided, rather than splitting it among sections of the Masterlan.
- 5. <u>Electrical Energy Aggregators:</u> Purchase of discount energy by the Town is recommended by the Committee as long as the aggregator is properly regulated. It would be good to determine the energy source to ensure that it is not coal fired or powered with other "dirty" fuels.
- 6. <u>New EEC Chair:</u> Travis Boucher has agreed to replace Charlie DePuy, who is rotating off the Committee.
- 7. Next meeting: Tuesday, July 9