

## **Enfield Energy Committee**

### **Tuesday, Nov 26, 2019**

Meeting came to order: 6:00 pm

Members Attending: Kim Quirk, Wendell Smith (alternate), Kurt Gotthardt, Marta Ceroni  
Missing: Charlie Clark, Jo-Ellen Courtney (chair)

Non-members present: Andy VanAbs, Wilson Schreiber

We approved minutes from Oct 8, 2019

Next meeting January 28<sup>th</sup>, fourth Tuesday, 6pm at Whitney Hall (no meeting in Dec)

#### **CANAAN / ENFIELD ITEMS**

- \* Update from anyone who attended LES conference, Nov 15 – we hope to get an update from Hope and Jo-Ellen who attended. They can send this out to the group or make notes to bring to our next meeting.
- \* UV Energy Expo - Kim will chair; we will do some brainstorming later in the meeting
- \* Solarize Canaan/Enfield (anyone willing to lead this effort?) -- Wendell has agreed to help out, but not chair. So far we have not had anyone step up to lead this effort. It is on hold until/unless we get 2 people who want to lead. We talked about those people possibly coming from Enfield or Canaan residents who have already gone solar or thinking about going solar.

#### **ENFIELD SPECIFIC ITEMS**

- \* Community Choice Power - helps the district choose their energy source and encourages the building/owning of renewables to be part of the energy source.
- \* Solar Power Purchase Agreement, warrant article -we should plan to educate people on what it is; be prepared to answer questions like will it cost the town money?, will it save the town money? what happens if electric prices from Liberty go down? Who owns the system? Who maintains the system? Can the town buy the array at a later date?
- \* Budget thoughts – the committee had a budget of \$2000 at the beginning of the year. About \$80 has been spent to date.
- \* Streetlights - Kurt reported that the list of streetlights that was advised to remove at last year's town meeting have NOT been removed - nothing's happened. He is working on a more strongly worded warrant article for the 2020 town meeting. A good majority of people at town meeting agreed to remove streetlights...maybe it is time to ask the town if it should be mandatory.

BUDGET - \$1920 left in 2019 energy committee budget

MOTION: Kim made a motion to spend up to \$150 for LED for the Community building; \$250 to join the NH Clean Energy Organization (non-profit that provides energy related resources to municipalities); to put \$1000 towards the Level 2 energy audit of the DPW; and to earmark \$520 for the 2020 Mascoma Energy Expo (educational workshops about energy efficiency, renewables, state level energy policy).

Seconded and APPROVED unanimously

\*\* Alisa – can you tell us if these budget items are possible, especially the ones that would be earmarked for next year (energy audit and money for the expo).

#### OTHER BUSINESS

Marta stated up that some towns in the area are passing a "Climate Emergency Ordinance". Marta will bring a copy of this ordinance to a future meeting to discuss.

We would like the energy committee (or individuals who can represent the committee) to help with our Master Plan. Marta agreed to be a liaison from the energy committee to the Master Plan group.

#### **Energy Expo brainstorming ideas:**

Free Lunch, Lyn Miller talk? Red Wagon, 603, Mickey's, Jakes

Education - maybe tracks based on technologies rather than easy, med, hard

Energy Efficiency - Energy meters, monitoring and control, interior storm windows (Cover), heat pump hot water heaters

Heating - heat pumps, geothermal (Andy),

Solar - Battery back up,

Legislative - Cliff (CCA), Liberty Battery program

September - Kurt will contact the school

Grassroots - Kim will look into a grant to help with food.

Meeting adjourned 7:15pm