



Warner Energy Committee

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 24, 2016

Present: Darren Blood, Bill Balsam, Clyde Carson, Peter Ladd, Susan Hemingway, George Horrocks from Harmony Solar, Ray Martin, Neil Nevins.

1. Solar Array:

- A. Discussion was focused on preparing for the presentations at the public information session on 3/3 and town meeting on 3/9. The presentation format will be similar to the past info session; Clyde will present an overview of project including scope and financials, Ray will present precinct project, and George will describe specific project in a bit more detail, with time for questions. Town meeting to follow same format minus precinct presentation because that will be addressed at their meeting. George informed the group that he had been in communication with EverSource who informed him there is no need to upgrade the line, therefore we will not be subject to the \$30,000 fee as we had previously been told.
- B. George will prepare an agreement for Selectboard and precinct to endorse and submit to PUC before a hearing on possible rule changes next week. This will be ready for signatures late this week, to be delivered to Concord by Selectboard or representative early next week.
- C. George will also prepare a draft of a public info handout for committee review, with the aim to have it available for the 3/3 public information meeting. Distribution sites to include BookEnds, library, transfer station. There will be a supply on hand at town voting day, and at town meeting.

2. Wood Bank

- A. Deliveries have been made to 4 families this season to date. Peter and Lindsey Ladd prepared and posted the new sign at wood bank site. Ray Martin offered the use of his dump truck for wood deliveries. Residents who may be uncomfortable approaching the town hall for assistance may do so via an intermediary, i.e. CAP, church, school. Sue will contact these sites to inform. There is a surplus of wood this year. Peter will inform fire and rescue and ask them to be alert to need in the community. Clyde will inform road crew, town agent. Discussion about the idea of wood raffle as a fund raiser, for either a community group or to support wood bank expenses.

3. Protected river nomination process update

- A. Confusion and concern about the process, role of group, and outcomes of nomination was expressed. Energy Committee perspective is related to acknowledging historic use of river as a source of power for the community, and how the protected river status might have future implications/ restrictions. Clyde reports that selectboard conditionally approved the committee to look into protected River status and nomination as "advisory only" and be brought before town meeting for voter approval.

Next meeting April 13, 2016 7 PM at selectboard office.