



Warner Energy Committee

Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 15, 2016

Present, Sue Hemingway, Darren Blood, Clyde Carson

1. Master Plan Energy Chapter: Clyde will check with new chair, Ben Frost about time line and EC's suggestion that it needs rewriting rather than simply a revision.
2. Solar Array: The precinct array is operational, producing 20 mega watts, roughly, in its first month. The precinct is awaiting their first bill. The energy committee, precinct, and selectboard will host a ribbon cutting/community open house at the site. Clyde will contact Ray Martin to suggest a September date, likely [9/24](#), rain or shine. Once a date has been decided, Clyde will invite George Horrocks at Harmony Solar. We invite George to speak about the precinct array and also the plan for town meeting and municipal array. Clyde will send Darren a slide of transfer station site so it can be made into a poster for display at open house. We will have a handout fact sheet about the proposed array. To do; select date. Invite George H. Publicize in town website and newsletter, papers, schools, community groups, book store. Develop publicity fliers, site poster. Develop info sheet for proposed array, find out about info kiosk.
3. Fire station. Clyde reports the building committee decided to use a CMGC model (Construction manager general contractor). An RFP has been released for a conceptual design, with the goal of having that design for town meeting 2017 . Voters would be presented with a warrant article to vote on approving funds to pay for a detailed design. Energy committee representation has been strong on the building committee, and will continue to emphasize the importance of involving an energy expert in the design phase, and throughout the project. The committee was informed about Margaret Dillon of SEEDS, energy expert and consultant, and decided not to spend funds to engage her at this time, but will keep the option open.
4. River protection committee . EC members expressed concern and confusion about both the process and the need for further protection, and apparent additional layers of restrictions, for example new river classifications would restrict certain activities that could be in the town or property owners best interest as a result of climate change, like hydropower. Clyde states the selectboard is on record that the nomination is to come before voters at town meeting. Next River committee meeting is 8/31. Public is welcome.
5. Next EC meeting: September 14 7PM