



Warner Energy Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 19, 2017

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Present: Attendance not indicated

1. River nomination. Sam Durfee of Central NH Regional Planning Commission and Nancy Martin of the Warner Conservation Commission attended the meeting at the suggestion of Sen Dan Feltes to reach out to the group because of past concerns that had been raised. The EC continues to have concerns about unintended barriers the protected status could impose on future plans to build, re-use, or reconstruction of existing sites of micro-hydro power dams. It was recommended the application nomination include all feedback, both positive and critical, so the DES and legislature can see a balanced view.
2. Solar array. The site work will get underway anytime. Tim Allen is coordinating with logger Chuck Rose to clear, stump, and take the trees away. Eversource will move the meter adjacent to the array, which negates the need for trenching under the driveway to the transfer station building. The plan is for Dana Nute of the Jordan Institute to act as clerk of the works to oversee the project from start to finish. It was proposed that he submit a one sentence update for the town website as the project progresses. There will be a preconstruction meeting in 2 weeks.
3. Fire station. Alan Brown will continue to chair the building committee which will be reconvening after the supportive town meeting vote. The EC will continue to support and encourage an energy efficient project.
4. Wood Bank. The wood bank saw a busy end of the heating season with several families receiving firewood. It was decided that the policy for multiple requests needs to be reviewed, and the procedure for requests and coordination of delivery needs to be clarified. Thank you to Darren and Peter for coordinating this effort. We will discuss further at next meeting.
5. Science March/Earth Day this Saturday at the State House from 9-2. The March is at 11am. At least one EC member will attend. Clean up at Riverside Park is another local event. We can discuss having a float at the WFFF.
6. Master Plan rewrite . We will work on this over the next couple of months.
7. Economic development committee. They are presenting to the selectmen next Tuesday. The EC will attend a meeting in the future.

Next meeting: May 10, 2017 at 7 PM, Town Hall, Select Board office.