



Warner Energy Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 13, 2017

Present: Clyde Carson, Darren Blood, Bill Balsam, Peter Ladd, Sue Hemingway, Erin Reed CAP

1. Wood bank update. Discussed clarifying the process to request and secure wood for families/individuals in need. The goal is that it be efficient and involve as few people as possible in order to assure requests are granted in a timely manner with no confusion or duplication of effort. Mary Whalen will continue to be the point person at the town hall and she will continue to refer all requests to Darren and/ or Peter. If Mary is not available or the town hall is closed, Erin (CAP Director) will contact Peter and/or Darren directly. Volunteer wood stacking day is scheduled for October 14 contingent on ability to prep staging area and available wood. Peter will speak with Varick about placement of piles.

Sue will contact Charlie Macs for pizza donation once date is confirmed.
Darren will send Sue the flyer for updating and posting.

2. Community microgrid, solar project intro. Clyde presented preliminary idea which involves development of community based solar microgrid. Neil Nevins and Roy Morrison have brought this concept to the town for discussion and possible adoption. We will invite Neil and Roy to the October meeting in order to learn more details.
3. River protection status. The DES commissioner is expected to approve in the next month at which time it will go before the legislature.
4. Fire station update. EC continues to support a high efficiency building with efficient mechanical systems. There is some concern that the building committee, while highly committed to the project and doing commendable work, are focused on keeping costs low at the risk of sacrificing efficiency. EC supports educating the community about cost benefits of building an efficient building today that requires lower operating costs in the future. Clyde is requesting a building committee/ selectboard meeting.
5. Transfer station solar array project update. The panels are due to be delivered this week, construction is scheduled to begin 9/18. The town has done the site work, and is considering moving the salt shed to make space for some parking, camera, education kiosk. A wildflower mix is being considered for ground cover under the array. On 9/26 Yankee cable network will be at site.
6. Master plan revision. Bill has edited, we will review. Clyde will enter new data.
7. Business/economic development committee. Tabled

Next meeting October 11. 7PM. Guests; Roy Morrison, Neil Nevins.