### Town of Becket

## **Energy Committee Minutes**

#### November 21, 2013

In attendance: Committee members Alvin Blake, Cathy Defoe, Garth Klimchuk, Katherine Hoak, Robert Gross and Ex-Officio members Chris Bouchard, Ed Gibson, Bill Girard and Dan Parnell.

Meeting was called to order at 10:05 AM by Cathy Defoe, Chairperson.

## Short term goals

The committee had a discussion regarding what tools they would like to use to get information out to the public and it was decided that a robust Energy Committee section on the Town Website. Garth volunteered to draft our Committee's site based on the model from the Swampsett Energy Committee and will send out for review prior to our next meeting.

It was agreed that a mailing stuffer would go out with the March tax bills

We also discussed holding an energy workshop, probably in June, with a panel of Energy professionals who would talk about alternate forms of energy and energy saving projects to help Becket residents and businesses save money and reduce their dependence on fossil fuel energy sources.

# Long Term goals

- Gather information on energy usage for all town buildings.
- Investigate alternate energy sources
- Obtain copies of previous town audits
- Investigate future Solarize Mass programs and possibly apply with another local community
- Track all town energy costs

A discussion about future was held and it was decided that we would continue to meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month and alternate between 10 AM & 6 PM to allow for resident participation

The Committee set the date for the next meeting for December 19th, 2013 at 6:00 PM at the Becket Town Hall.

Garth Klimchuk made a motion to adjourn, Robert Gross seconded the motion and the motion passed 5 to 0.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Al Blake

Secretary

Approved CMDORSe 12/24/13