Town of Becket

Energy Committee Minutes

January 16, 2014

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

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

Bob Gross made a motion to approve December meeting minutes and Dan Parnell seconded the motion and the motion passed 5 to 0.

The Committee discussed the resignation letter tendered by Katherine Hoak. It was agreed that she is a good representative of Becket residents who are not as informed yet about the energy issues as they may wish to be. It was unanimously agreed that her value in that regard was significant and, based on that discussion, she agreed to stay on.

Administrative duties of Chair & Secretary were clarified

Short term goals

The committee reviewed the draft of Energy Committee section of the Town Website and agreed that it needed to be as easy to navigate as possible with "Frequently asked Questions" made prominent. Garth will make revisions for review at our next meeting. The initial portion has been implemented

Dan Parnell agreed to draft mailing stuffer letter and send prior to next meeting. It was agreed that it needs to go out in April and hopefully can be coordinated with another mailing.

We further discussed the energy workshop to be scheduled on June 14th or21st at 10AM at Town Hall. Cathy will contact CET and Ed will do same with DOE

Long Term goals

Green Community Annual Report, which depicts all Energy related work completed in the last Fiscal year, is being refined and will be discussed at next-meeting..

It appears that the Solarize Mass program will have another round this year. Chris will contact Otis & Chester and Bob will do same with Blandford to determine their interest in partnering with us.

The Committee set the date for the next meeting for February 20th, 2014 at 6 PM at the Becket Town Hall.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 11:25 AM

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Al Blake

Secretary

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