

Deerfield Energy Resources Committee

Minutes of February 26, 2015, 4:10PM

Present: Kristan Bakker, David Gilbert Keith, MA Swedlund, Reenie Clancy, Jay Stryker
Doug Finn arrives 4:35 Tom Relihan present.

1. Minutes:

- a. David agrees to take minutes
- b. Review of previous minutes:
 - i. Amend 11/19/14 minutes to add Reenie's last name.
 - ii. Amend 4e. at "See module 4" to See Module of DOER: "The Guide to Developing Solar Photovoltaics at Massachusetts Landfills."
 - iii. M.A. moves to accept as amended. Minutes accepted as amended

2. WWTP Solar Project:

- a. We received from Kayce Warren a copy of a letter from Schmitt asking for an extension on work. Kayce was asking our approval. We said fine, but make sure funding is extended.
- b. A month ago, Schmitt acknowledged extension and would send revised schedule. Kayce may have received it but we have not.
- c. Questions for Kayce, Kevin Scarborough, and Doug Finn:
 - i. Has Schmitt sent the promised time-line.
 - ii. Have they finalized a design
 - iii. Has plan been approved by Planning Board
 - iv. Have they received a waiver from ZBA
 - v. Have they set a date for the installation.
 - vi. Funding: Since grant funds have deadlines, have they been extended to match new completion date extension
- d. Clean Energy Grant extended to end of 2015 calendar year
- e. \$90k is from Green Communities Grant money (extended to June 2015) and we need to know whether that one is extendable.

3. Landfill Solar Update:

- a. Presentation postponed to Dec. 3.
- b. Beth Greenblatt, when asked to be an agent for Deerfield, reported that the funding had been depleted.
- c. Kayce said she will look for other funds. (Has she explored funding for owner/agent for town?)

- d. M.A. asks Doug to follow up on exploring more funding to hire Beth Greenblatt: has it happened, can she be hired?
 - e. Doug says town clearly can't hire her with town money, but town may have money set aside to have Beth pursue a grant to pay for her owner/agent services.
 - f. Kristan asks about \$90k from Green Communities since it looks like possibly DOER thinks we are only getting ~\$35k + ~\$35k.
4. **Doug Finn:** Kristan introduces Doug (formerly of FACTV). He is the new executive assistant, doing such valued tasks as transcribing Selectboard meetings for posting.
- a. M.A. asks Doug if he knows more of status of grants and WWTP
 - b. Doug mentions AllState/Truecorp 200 acre project (~40MW?) with Lakestreet PV.
 - c. Kristan raises question of payment in lieu of taxes: they do apply. If they are using their power on-site, no PILOT. Doug says another possibility is if same owner can consider remote locations they own as "on-site." Question is whether sites behind different meters can still avoid PILOT.
 - d. Doug thinks they can apply credits to any of their business even if not literally on-site.
 - e. Doug does want to be on our Minutes list and be included in "our loop." He can help assure that people talk with each other, respond to queries.
5. **LED funding:** On 1/28/15 David Wolfram mentioned availability of funding for LED lighting.
- a. Who's money?
 - b. For Streetlights only?
 - c. Even if we don't own the light fixtures?
6. Pipeline:
- a. What can we do?
 - b. Create list of bulleted questions
 - c. Kristan recommends graphic representation of flows: what we need v. what's coming
7. March 26, 4:00PM
8. Meeting adjourned: 5:30 PM, moved Reenie Approved

Respectfully submitted:
David Gilbert Keith