

**Meeting of Alternative Energy Committee
Minutes of September 10, 2013**

Attendance:

Present: Jim Goldenberg, Chairman; Sandy von Stackelberg, Leslie Lawrence, Lynn Smith, Josh Cutler, Tom Burton, Jack Doherty, Lewis Segall, Stephen Campbell

Absent: Susan Fontaine, Don Greenbaum

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.
- 2) The motion to accept the minutes of the June 26, 2013 Meeting was moved and approved
- 3) Jim Goldenberg welcomed 2 new committee members: Lewis Segall and Stephen Campbell
- 4) Jim Goldenberg updated the committee on the solar project in town. American Capital Energy is progressing and it appears that the project could be completed by the end of the year. Matt Lyons sat in for a discussion on his Eagle Scout project, the solar kiosk. He has presented his project to several members of the troop and has received preliminary approvals. He needs to present to the Troop Commission to receive final approval. He will then start setting up his plans and fund raising efforts. Construction would probably start next spring.
- 5) Jim Goldenberg presented an opportunity for filing the town's remaining credit purchase capacity. He presented an approved wind project by Future Wind Generation in Plymouth, MA. Steve Campbell included that he knew of this project having reviewed it in the past. Discussion began over whether we should consider speaking with this developer about the project. Questions were whether the project could begin before all credits were sold. It would be more advantageous to the Town if the project could begin before all credits were sold. However, nobody was sure if they would start. The committee agreed that it would be a good idea to have Future Wind Generation to come in for the next meeting to present the project and accept questions. Jim Goldenberg agreed to contact the developer and set up the presentation.
- 6) Initiative Group Updates
 - a) Green Communities – Nothing really to report. The issue that was brought up was whether of several members of the committee less than a quorum could meet to discuss the Green Communities initiative without posting the meeting. Jim G would discuss with Town Council.
 - b) Solar Kiosk – see above
 - c) School Building Liaison - nothing
 - d) Wind Advisory Committee – Nothing new to report
 - e) Solar Hot water – Nothing new to report
- 7) Nothing was discussed with respect to new initiative groups
- 8) Other business – none
- 9) Next meeting scheduled for October 8, 2013 at 7:30 pm.
- 10) Meeting adjourned at 9:03