Energy Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 10, 2018 5:15 PM Whitney Hall Conference Room

Attending: Kurt Gotthardt, Charlie Clark, Kim Quirk, Holly West Guests: Marta Ceroni, Travis Boucher, Jo Ellen Courtney

Old Business

Streetlight Project:

Kurt reported on the street light project - Acting chief Roy Holland, Town Manager Ryan Aylesworth and Kurt drove around to look at various street lights. About 20 lights were identified as removable.

For those lights that we are considering removing, we will ask Liberty to turn them off for 2-3 months to see if there are any issues.

Travis has a light meter and is willing to do some testing with Kurt in the evening to determine if the level of lights some streetlights are providing.

DPW study

Charlie Clark showed his DPW data related to data savings - From 2014 to 2017, the DPW has saved over 15,000 kWh. Whitney Hall's electricity usage went down over 7,000 kWh over two years after changing out fluorescent lights for LED. It was suggested that Ryan highlight this in an upcoming town manager report.

There are 10 truck bays at the DPW where the lights stay on all day and haven't been changed out to LED yet (due to size). Charlie is working on these as well as the outside flood lights. There is still more to do with the DPW -- heat loss is the next thing to tackle.

EV Charging Station

No update until the Volkswagon settlement provides grant money for EV charging all over NH.

New Business

Solid Waste

Holly reported that EcoSmith Recyclers drop off boxes for recycling clothes and shoes for a few weeks, then picks them up and provides the clothes to developing countries. Some percentage of

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sales proceeds goes back to the non-profit organization. Maybe we can coordinate this drop off box with the Green Up day, May 19th. The box could be located at the Lakeside Park (just for a few weeks) and any funding could go to Lakeside Park.

Model Solar Ordinance

This is a good document that we can use in Enfield as we get working on a strategic vision and then at updating the Master Plan. Please read it for the next meeting to see which items apply to Enfield! (Attached)

Annual UV Energy Committee Roundtable

Anyone can attend, it is free and light supper is provided. Learn what other energy committees are doing and get some project ideas for Enfield! Sign up here: <u>http://vitalcommunities.org/energy/roundtable/</u>

Energy / Efficiency / Sustainability Expo

Some of the renewable energy vendors in the area are interested in an UV expo that highlights energy efficiency, renewables, sustainable living -- with workshops on DIY (do it yourself) projects, living off-grid, solar hot water, solar PV, Grid with battery, and more. It would be great to get the support of the town energy committees (like Enfield, Lebanon, Hanover, Canaan, maybe Norwich, Hartford).

Meeting adjourned 6:45pm

Submitted by Kim Quirk