

## **Enfield Energy Committee minutes 4/11/17**

Attending: Charlie DePuy, Jim Fenn, Holly West, Alisa Bonnette, Charlie Clark, Phil Vermeer

The minutes of the Enfield Energy Committee meeting of January 10, 2017 and February 7, 2017 were moved to be accepted as presented by Phil Vermeer, seconded by Jim Fenn. They were approved unanimously.

### **Discussion of PPA:**

The two sticking points for any Town PPA contract are:

1. The Multi-year nature of purchase commitment and the long term lease. This type of commitment, without a non-funding clause, must be approved by the voters.
2. The easement for access to the equipment which most out-of-state third party finance companies require.

Both of these trigger a town meeting. There are workarounds which Kim, as contractor/investor might be able to employ.

Working through the Committee and Alisa, Kim will draft a contract around the terms stated in her e-mail to the Committee. This will be presented to the Select Board for their support before being vetted by the Town Attorney. After final approval by the Board, Kim will file an application with Liberty Utilities.

### **Police Building and Library lighting:**

Of the 99 tubes in Phil's garage, 70 non-DLC rated will be installed at the Police building, along with 5 movement sensor switches. Labor at police expense. The EEC will purchase and have installed 80 new tubes/strips from Needham Electric in the library at Committee expense. Charlie C was authorized by the Committee to spend up to \$1000 on this project.

### **Recycling Discussion:**

Holly has instituted various free Terracycle programs in Town. Terracycle is a public interest corporation with free and prepaid programs for non-recyclable and difficult-to-recycle household and office solid waste.

The goal of engaging in a Terracycle program is to reduce the volume of the landfill stream in Town, thus saving the Town \$ and to use as a bargaining chip in the next contract negotiations with Casella to get them to accept a greater variety of recyclables. Possible alternatives to Casella are Waste Management and Terracycle.

Holly and Charlie will approach the Select Board to promote Terracycle and find ways to engage the transfer station in accepting items for prepaid Terracycle boxes.

### **Congratulations Holly**

Holly will be honored, along with 10 other Upper Valley community leaders, at the Vital Communities annual dinner at the Queechee Club on May 24th at 5:30.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15pm.