

Sustainable Hanover Committee Meeting Minutes

August 13, 2014

Members attending: Yolanda Baumgartner, Mary Ann Cadwallader, Julia Griffin (Hanover Town Manager), Chris Kennedy, Peter Kulbacki (Department of Public Works), Larry Litten, David McManus (chair), Jenna Musco (Dartmouth College), Marjorie Rogalski (by speaker phone)

Guests: Sarah Simonds (Vital Communities)

Agenda

Approve Minutes

Review and make decisions regarding Solarize Hanover Program (hereinafter, SolHan)

Review Green Power Program

Meeting

Sarah Simonds briefly reviewed the history and nature of Vital Communities' Solarize Upper Valley program, and then reviewed the following components of the program in relation to Hanover's selection as a Round 2 participant: role of Solarize program in reaching people not predisposed to solarize their homes, unique role of Hanover as an employment center for the Upper Valley. components of the timeline for implementing the SolHan program, the checklist of activities.

Yolanda reviewed the status of the Green Power initiative. In addition to the Solarize Hanover Program, the town has developed an option for the purchase of Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) with Renewable Choice, and is working with eNH to arrange for green energy to be included as an option on electric bills. We have requested a "premium" option that includes certified green energy, volume-related discounts, and a link to an Website with good explanatory information; eNH will submit a proposal in September.

To Do

Julia will compile SolHan to-do list.

Committee will meet on 8/15 to develop plans for the SolHan launch event.

Sarah Simonds will work with Solarize Hanover Installer Selection Committee (**Peter Kulbacki, Don Ware, and Chris Kennedy, David McManus**) to launch that process.

Prepared by Larry Litten