

# Town of Harvard Energy Advisory Committee

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## Meeting Minutes 5/22/13

Attendees: B. Smith, E. Broadbent, D. Fay, J. Elkind, S. Matson, F. Hodgkins,  
 W. Robbins (PT)  
 Location: Old Library 8 PM

	<b>Meeting Discussion/Status</b>
Minutes	The minutes of May 8, 2013 were unanimously approved.
School Energy Project Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a.</b> Bromfield Green Team – Blackout Day May 22 – need update.</li> <li><b>b.</b> HES Solar – SRECs Sale Agreement placed with Knollwood Energy.</li> </ul>
Town Energy Project Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a.</b> Green Community Grants Projects –                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Re-purpose request to DOER for remaining funds. – Brian to resolve with DOER for Library project..</li> <li>2. Prepare to proceed with New Library AHU and HW pump VSD project pending approval. – Brian to work with Pete Jackson.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>b.</b> Green Community Reports – Annual report – Brian to update to address updates requested by DOER.</li> <li><b>c.</b> Police Station Boiler Project – Both boilers are installed. Remaining invoice to be paid pending final walk through and connection to BAS – to be scheduled.</li> <li><b>d.</b> Hildreth House – Steve met with Connie Larrabee on May 10 to review how HEAC can support the needs of this renovation project – they are in the schematic design phase and they discussed what energy improvements would be needed in the portion of the building that will remain.</li> </ul>
Other Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a.</b> PPA Subgroup – Solar Net Metering Credit Agreement RFP – Lorraine verified that the RFP is exempt from procurement policy. Mark Lanza confirmed that a 20 year contract does not require a vote at Town meeting. – Meeting planned for 5/28 to finalize RFP terms and distribution list.</li> <li><b>b.</b> Municipal Building Committee – Eric explained that the committee is debating whether to pay for a more efficient building envelope with a ten year payback or not.</li> <li><b>c.</b> Energy Legislation Meeting with Jamie Eldridge and Jen Benson – Eric is coordinating this event with the League of Women Voters for May 28 at Volunteer’s Hall.</li> <li><b>d.</b> Town Maintenance – Jim discussed the need to focus on maintenance of the equipment upgraded for energy savings to ensure the energy savings is maintained. Jim will start a quantitative analysis and Brian will survey the existing equipment and current maintenance programs.</li> <li><b>e.</b> Community Solar Garden – Worth Robbins presented an update of the Solar Garden tax issue. Several committee members disclosed that they have financial interest in the HSG. Worth explained that the Board of Assessors voted to deny tax exempt status for twenty years for the HSG. Although there may be a legislative solution, this will not happen in the near future. Therefore, Worth is pursuing the next option which is a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT). Worth is requesting approval at the next BOS meeting, June 18. Worth requested the support of HEAC for this request.</li> </ul>