



Lee Sustainability Committee  
Meeting Minutes – APPROVED  
January 9, 2018 at 7:00PM  
Lee Public Safety Complex

I. Call to Order at 7:02PM by Paul Gasowski

Present: Paul Gasowski, Chuck Cox, Dean Rubine

Absent: Leslie Adams, Matt Rowell, Brian Giles

II. Preliminary Actions

A. Introductions: none

B. Added Messeder letter to agenda V.C, added swap shop. Moved: Dean 2nd: Chuck, Agenda approved as amended 3-0

C. Minutes of 12/7/17. Fixed typos, Amy Daskal spelling, Backyard Farming Initiative notes. Moved: Dean 2nd: Chuck, minutes approved as amended 3-0

D. Correspondence: Chuck attended Strafford Regional Planning Commission Seacoast Eat Local 12/7/17 om Rollingsford Church. About 15 people including Rollinsford town officials attended a presentation by Brookford Farm about local food.

E. Other: Congratulations to Matt and Kathleen Rowell on the birth of their son Owen.

III. Public Comments: None

IV. Discussion Items/Updates

Paul: Email account [sustain@leenh.org](mailto:sustain@leenh.org) up and running and we got our first email, see below.

Paul: ORCSD Community dinner Jan 18, Local food, ORHS.

Chuck: Backyard Farming Initiative. First talk: What Can You Do in Your Yard?, Jan 29, Grange, Matt Rowell, John Forti presenting. Introduction by State Rep Amanda Gorgue on Master Gardeners. Next talk Jill Nooney, Feb 26. Future talks 4th Monday of the month through April. Information at Lee Library website.

Paul: Ag Commission met in December, requested we pay Grange for BFI now instead of April. Payment previously approved by committee; Paul will get check cut.

Chuck: Moderator and panelist needed for April 23 BFI Caring for our Garden. Don Quigley, Ruth Sample suggested. Chuck will follow up.

Chuck: Energy Commission appears to have gotten a warrant article on the ballot urging the state to study offshore wind energy. Doug Bogen will do a public presentation before deliberative session.

Dean moved: The LSC supports efforts to encourage the governments of New Hampshire to explore offshore wind energy and authorizes the following letter, suitably edited, to be read at the town deliberative session on the committee's behalf:

Dear Moderator, Select Board Members and Voters of Lee,

At the January 9, 2018 meeting of the Lee Sustainability Committee, the committee voted unanimously to formally support the efforts of Lee citizens to urge the state of New Hampshire to study offshore wind energy projects.

Very truly yours,  
The Lee Sustainability Committee

Moved: Dean 2nd: Chuck. 3-0 in favor.

IV. (continued)

Paul: Excellent Program at Lee Church in December. Followed advice and purchased LED bulbs at Market Basket for the excellent advice of 4/\$3. They're very bright.

Paul: Energy Committee talk Jan 22

Paul: Brian withdrew proposed submission to E-crier after the chairman's effort to clarify quotation sources. The committee supports any effort to clarify sources and urges Brian to publish the article.

Dean: Next article will be a saga of residential water testing. Include link to well doc.

Paul: Well doc available in Library and Town Hall. Not many apparent takers.

Paul: Committee budget survives intact

Chuck: Energy Comm / select board considering two warrant articles for solar installation at Safety Complex

Dean: LSC generally supports municipal solar projects; looking forward to details.

## V. New Business

A. Matt: Mentor Network - pushed to next meeting. Paul will delve into legal issues.

B. skipped

C. Jen Messeder email offers LSC opportunity to sponsor Low Carbon Diet workbook study groups. LSC generally in favor. Concern that this project already belongs to the Energy Committee; Paul will invite Jen to next meeting and check with Energy Comm.

D. Swap shop. Chuck: Worried what is happening to reusable stuff while swap shop is closed for months. Concern volunteers and swap shop not sufficiently supported.

Paul: less opportunity for reuse of lumber, scrap metal due to stricter access control

Chuck: swap shop proposal.

VII. Public Comments: None

## VII. Closing Actions

Next Meeting: Tuesday Feb 13, 7 pm

Followup:

Paul: Grange check, mentoring legal, wind letter, Messeder/Energy Comm, Brian E-crier article, rerun old one

Dean: write water testing article

Chuck: swap shop proposal, BFI moderator/panelist

Matt: Mentoring, daddying, BFI talk Jan 29

VIII. Adjourned: 8:07pm