

Lee Energy Committee Meeting Minutes May 1, 2018, 7pm

Present: Sharon Meeker, Lou Grondin, Barb Wauchope, Mary Woodward, Cary Brown, Jana Petrikova (consultant)

Discussion:

Chair Sharon Meeker called the meeting to order.

Sharon checked that everyone had received a copy of the updated PSC lighting list prepared by Bill Stevens and Julie Glover related to obtaining bids for LED retrofit lighting upgrades. In the context of the urgency of benefitting from rebate offers that might expire, the committee discussed how to most efficiently assemble the next-step technical specifications identified as needed by Julie. Cary suggested that other town energy committees and/or Revision Energy be contacted for any examples they have. Mary will contact the Hollis, Dover and Durham energy committees to see what they can provide; and then will check with Revision Energy and John Tappan.

The committee discussed the various possible conformations and locations of solar panel installation(s) in the context of the ongoing process to finalize plans and a schedule for Lee's new Town Hall building complex; of Lee's having both NHEC and Eversource as its energy suppliers; and of the impact of varying rates related to estimated building usage and group net metering implications (the PSC use is 2x that of the Transfer Station), as well as the higher costs of ground mount installation. Related to China's now stricter policy related to waste materials it will accept, Cary mentioned that aspects of Lee's transfer station operation might be impacted by a shift in recycle focus.

Sharon will contact Julie about scheduling a meeting to coordinate on the various projects and next-step actions. Sharon invited members of the committee to send their questions to her if they cannot attend the meeting.

Sharon reported that she had met with Toby about transfer station issues. Toby is waiting for one more bid to proceed with the insulation project for the office ceiling. Sharon and Toby also discussed the merits of additionally insulating the walls of the larger, unheated section of the new swap shop structure. Cary will check the probable cost of this additional insulation project with Toby.