

LYME ENERGY COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 21, 2009
MINUTES

PRESENT: Dan O'Hara, Becky Lovejoy, Carola Lea, Gary Phetteplace, Sue MacKenzie

ABSENT: Simon Carr, John Gartner, Matt Brown, Mike Morton

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:35 PM

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING APPROVED.

1. TOPIC: Budget

DISCUSSION: Needs to be put together by the October Meeting. Will discuss at next meeting.

ACTION: need to consider what we will do in place of energy fair, as this will impact the budget request..

WHO: Carola

WHEN: October Meeting

2. TOPIC: Wood boiler at the town garage.

DISCUSSION: Matt has produced a report on the cost of energy and the savings accrued over the years.

ACTION: Can report that Matt left report on wood pellet numbers with Elyse this AM (Mon 9/21) and she wanted to put into computer and then post.

Perhaps she didn't get to it but assume she'll do soon.

WHO: Matt

3. TOPIC: School lunch program

DISCUSSION: Farm to school meeting held at the Lyme school today. Carola attended. Money is a problem. Need to develop a list of food producers in Lyme and find a funding source.

ACTION

WHO: Carola

WHEN: Will have more info at the October meeting.

4. TOPIC: Energy Audits

DISCUSSION: funding source-

Need a list of buildings that would need to be audited **and information on their energy consumption and square footage..**

Simon may have more up to date info.

REGGI funds may be coming again early next year.

Cost of Carbon Credits have dropped due to economic downturn.

Grant application is very cumbersome and timer consuming.

May want to look at doing all town buildings instead of just one.

ACTION: Wait until next meeting to discuss with Simon.

5. TOPIC: Infrared Camera from the fire dept.

DISCUSSION: Dan talked with Mike Hinsley who is willing to loan the Energy Committee, the camera and teach us how to use it.

Bob Walker stated it is not the same camera that he uses but is interested in hearing how we make out.

See if Alan Greatorrex would be interested in joining us, on this endeavor as he has a lot of experience in this area.

Will wait until we all gain experience to decide how broad to make this program.

ACTION: Energy committee to learn how to use the camera

WHO: Becky to talk with Mike and schedule meeting.

WHEN: November

6. TOPIC: What other projects should the committee take on.

Discussion: A. Dan- Discussed use of foam insulating equipment. Dan has done this, ? if people would want assistance in doing it themselves.

B. ? Hardware store would be willing to assist.

C. would they be interested in having mini-clinics in how to do energy saving installations.

Action: meet with owners of store

Who: Dan

When: For the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING OCTOBER 19, 2009, 7:30 PM Town Office

Meeting Adjourned 8:15 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Sue MacKenzie