LYME ENERGY COMMITTEE MINUTES August 16, 2010

PRESENT: Matt Brown, Mike Morton, Charles Regan, Gary Phetteplace, John Gartner, Carola Lea, Sue MacKenzie, Dan O'Hara, Becky Lovejoy

ABSENT:

Guest: Liz Ryan Cole,

Meeting called to order by Becky at 7:35

Minutes of the June meeting were approved as written.

1. Topic Liz Ryan Cole. Teacher at Vt Law School.

Discussion- Co-Housing- A group of 24 Adults and children, want to build in Lyme. Many locals. Purchased Loch Lyme Lodge, 120 Acres. with Cabins.

The group wants to build a common Lodge and individual housing that would be connected to share heat and conserve energy and space.

Proposing a change in the Lyme Zoning ordinance. To allow Cohousing being planned and built by the people who will live there. Budgeting for 4 affordable houses. Support possible from Loch Lyme Lodge.

Discussion of proposed language.

Energy related issue is distance and walkability to center of town.

Action- Liz will keep the Energy Committee informed. Questions can be addressed to <u>www.pinacleproject.info</u>

2. Topic- 10-10-10 Energy Expo

Discussion- Only 4 people have expressed an interest. Tarm, Artigraph's, Berway Farm, Michael Whitcomb.,

Action- Blitz the ListServ again in Sept. Will HAVE A BANNER Will make a poster.

Who- Subcommittee to approach- Hardware Store, Lyme Nursery School, Veracka's, Tony's, Bob Stein Printing, Frame Shop, Ben Hudson, Regan's small engine repair, Long River Studio, Lyme Bike Doc's, Lynn Adam's, Lyme Farm Fresh, Greg Gorman, Mort Bailey, etc]

When- now.

3. Topic- Recycling reports for 2009 and 2008.

Discussion- Brought by Charles

4. Topic- Energy Project at the Baptist Church .--

Discussion- Make suggestions only, concern re liability, No discussion of Committee working with town buildings vs private buildings.

5. Topic- First step in the Energy Audit process. Sue and Rebecca:

I have been in contact with both of you individually and want to send a joint message to you both regarding the ETAP progress in the Upper Valley. We have a firm date for when representatives from the primary consulting groups: CLF Ventures (CLFV) and Peregrine Energy Group (PEG). The consultants are interested in visiting two interested communities in the UVLSRPC area and I would like to give you the opportunity to be one of the two communities.

Sue, I had explained earlier that this meeting would be hosted at the RPC offices, but I was wrong. CLFV and PEG will visit the respective towns, conduct an overview of the program and expectations, and then conduct a tour of the municipal buildings. This close-up meeting will be the first step in formalizing an agreement to participate in the program, which offers a range of services based on individual community needs.

The meeting should include volunteers involved with the energy planning process and administrators or Selectboard members who have the capacity to either affirm the Town's interest in the program or make direct commitments on behalf of the Town. Please review the attached PDF with regard to the varying levels of commitment a municipality can make. These forms are mostly a formality to allow access to utility data and participation by the municipality in the online inventory tool.

CLFV and PEG will be in the area on September 14. If Lyme is willing to meet with the consultants and the RPC, please confirm by responding to this message. You are both welcome to call me with any questions.

Regards, Mike

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Meeting adjourned at 8:40PM Next Meeting Monday, Sept 20, 2009 7:30-8:30 Town Office Building. Respectfully submitted, Susan J. MacKenzie Secretary