

LYME ENERGY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

May 21, 2012

PRESENT: Becky Lovejoy, Matt Brown, Gary Phetteplace, Dan O'Hara, Mark Bolinger, Simon Carr (Selectman), Scott Nichols Joanna Laro

ABSENT:

Meeting called to order by Becky at 7:30 PM

1. Motion made and seconded to approve Mar 19 and April 21 minutes, passed.

Note -per discussion with Simon the minutes are to be in word format for both circulation and submission.

Action: Dan to submit approved minutes to Elise.

2. Matt questioned the PSNH enclosure many of us got with our most recent electric bill. It is presented as a way to get some or all of your electrical energy from renewable sources. It is the consensus that this is marketing by the power company and the committee does not have reason to take any action about it.

3. Becky announced that it is time for another newsletter. We decided that a good topic would be a report on the UV energy roundtable Joanna will attend and draft a newsletter (Becky will help)

Action: Joanna

4. Renewable Energy and Conservation Inventory for Lyme This was agreed on as the name of the project that has evolved out of our consideration of the "Solarize Lyme" project we discussed last month. It will be a collection of information on all non-fossil fuel based energy systems in use in Lyme for future reference. Matt has worked with "survey monkey" and learned that the survey has to be limited to 10 questions to avoid having to upgrade (and pay). Matt and Gary will work on the survey to try to get the most out of the shorter (free) survey.

We discussed of the number of responses we are likely to get and agreed that we should start out on the list-serve and expand the survey after getting some initial responses. We should then consider other means of expanding the reach of the survey including the church newsletter, copies of the survey at the town clerk's office, and by telephone.

Action: Matt to continue to work with Gary and others as needed.

5. Brief discussion of PACE - apparently it is dead in the water, at least for now. No action needed.

6. Meeting adjourned at 8:31.

Next Meeting June 18 7:30

Respectfully Submitted

Daniel O'Hara