

MARION ENERGY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes
27 Feb 12

1. The meeting convened at 7:05PM in the Marion Music Hall.

2. Marion meeting attendees:

David Pierce	Norman Hills
Eunice Manduca	Rob Fisher
Bill Saltonstall	Jennifer Francis

3. The minutes from 23 Jan 12 were approved.

4. Green Community qualification discussion:

- Criterion #1 – As-of-right siting
 - Short discussion on this committee developing a list of potential Town owned lots that could be considered to meet this criterion.
- Criterion #3 – energy audit:
 - Norm reported that a representative from TNT Energy performed a walk through energy audit of Town facilities (Police Station, Fire Station, DPW, Waste Water Treatment Plant, Town House, Music Hall, Elizabeth Taber Library, Harbormaster) on Wednesday January 25th. The Sippican School was not included.
 - Based on the walk through, TNT Energy representatives returned on 2 Feb to do a more thorough documentation of electrical and heating components. This time the Sippican School was included as a walk through and the Police Station was omitted as it was judged that no benefit could be gained there. Subsequently a more detailed audit of the Sippican School was scheduled.
 - Anticipate a report by the end of February.
 - Bill completed a summary of the Town's energy bills for 2011 and forwarded a copy to TNT Energy.
- Criterion #4 – Fuel efficient vehicles
 - Discussion focused on creating a Town position. Norm will develop a draft for consideration.
- Criterion #5 -Stretch Code:
 - No progress to report

5. Town Meeting –

- Short discussion on response to Finance Committee questions on proposed funding article.
- Discussion on developing handouts for Town Meeting that provide simple overview of the Green Communities five Criterion.

6. Energy Wise articles:

- Jennifer will draft an article for Green Community education in advance of the Town Meeting

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7. SourceOne Proposal

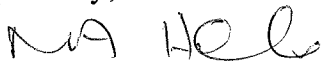
- Bill reported on the unsolicited proposal from SourceOne to supply electrical energy to the Town from their proposed wind turbine installations.
 - Proposed wind farm in Plymouth off of Rt 25
 - Estimate 5-6 MW of wind energy
 - Net meter to Town via power purchase agreement
 - 20 -25 year agreement
 - Town pays 90% of NSTAR power cost (G1 rate)
 - 2-3% annual increase per year
 - Set floor price which could result in Town paying more than NSTAR rate
- Town has signed MOU to negotiate terms for a contract
- They want to sell more than Marion can use, Paul Dawson to contact Mattapoisett and Rochester to determine if they want to participate.

8. David reported that he had a speaker scheduled for next week's Regional meeting. He also noted that some of the regular representatives from other towns will not be here due to resignation of their positions.

9. The meeting schedule for 2012 will continue to meet at 7PM on the fourth Monday of each month at the Music Hall. The projected meeting schedule is: 26 Mar, 23 Apr, 28 May, 25 Jun, 23 Jul, 27 Aug, 24 Sep, 22 Oct, 26 Nov.

10. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully,



Norman A. Hills, secretary