


MARION ENERGY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes
23 September 2013

1. The meeting convened at 7:00 PM in the Music Hall.
2. EMC attendees:

David Pierce	Norman Hills
Rob Fisher	Eileen Marum
3. Others present: Sarah Cote, Joan Hartnett-Barry
4. The minutes from August 26, 2013 and September 9, 2013 were approved.
5. Sarah Cote, Program Coordinator for the Cape & Islands Self-Reliance, attended to talk about self-reliance and energy conservation. She is also the Secretary for the Sandwich Energy Committee. Sarah noted that next year their goal is to perform Energy Committee outreach, to provide networking to facilitate experience and knowledge sharing. The greatest barrier most energy committees face is lack of experience; there is plenty of enthusiasm. They are considering the potential for coordinating a workshop for interested committees/committee members. Sarah questioned where Marion stood with respect to achieving the Green Communities objectives. This precipitated a general discussion of our accomplishments and plans. The consensus of the discussions was that we could use help with our public outreach as we progress in our efforts.
6. Green Community topics:
 - Revised bylaw
 - The Planning Board public hearing is complete. A Planning Board subcommittee will draft their recommendation. That subcommittee is scheduled to meet on 25 September. They are supposed to provide a copy of the draft to Jennifer.
 - The bylaw and the DPW facility lighting article are on the Fall Town Meeting warrant. The Selectmen decided not to include the Town House lighting article at this time.
 - Energy Insight – no update.
7. South Coast Energy Challenge –There is a meeting scheduled for September 26 at the Elizabeth Taber Library to provide information to Tri-Town representatives. Several of our members plan to attend.
8. Energywise articles – No articles are planned until we know what the Planning Board plans to do.
9. Future meeting dates presently scheduled for 2013: the October 14 meeting is rescheduled to October 21, the October 28 is canceled due to conflict with the Fall Town Meeting, November 25, no December meeting.
10. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully,



Norman Hills

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