

MARION ENERGY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

27 April 2015

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

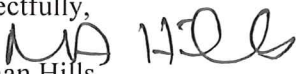
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| David Pierce | Norman Hills |
| Eileen Marum | Rob Fisher |
| Bill Saltonstall | |
3. Others present: Ross Perry (SRPEDD), John O'Rourke (Good Energy), numerous Marion residents.
4. Minutes: the minutes for 23 March 2015 were approved.
5. Green Community topics:
 - Stretch code – no update
 - Energy Insight – no update
 - Green Community 101 presentation – no update.
6. Benson Brook Solar Garden (capped Landfill):
 - EMC members investigate potential parallel efforts such as Site Plan Review in parallel with the Post Closure Plan.
7. Briggs Solar Project:
 - Expect to throw the switch this week.
8. Other topics included:
 - Future Generation Wind project – expect foundation work to start in May.
 - Energy aggregation; Ross Perry and John O'Rourke were present to present the SRPEDD Community Electrical Aggregation initiative (using previous information provided to the EMC) and answer questions from the attending residents.
 - Q – does this only address the generation side? A – yes, Eversource is responsible for distribution
 - Q – Who else is involved with the energy aggregation? A – 16 cities and towns
 - Q – How does Good Energy make money? A – Supplier pays 1 mil/kwr
 - Q – Can you predict the expected rate? A – No, just know that it will be 10-15% lower
 - Q – How many have voted to not participate? A – 3/14 towns and 2/2 cities
 - Q – If I opt in for 48 months, does the rate change each year? A – No, rate will be for 48 months
 - Q – What is risk, are prices higher for longer terms? A – Depends on supplier and how they have hedged the supply over time
 - Q – Does the Town make a vote for all residents? A – Yes, BOS will chose, and chose % green energy to use
 - Q – Can the Town only chose one square in the options matrix? A – Yes, will need input from town. Between Town Meeting and the Fall decision time, they will provide BOS with information on selections. The real important point is that the Town and residents now have a choice.
 - LED street lights – no update.
 - Sippican School energy savings. Have received information on the change in amount of money paid for the Sippican School energy since the improvements. Unfortunately we need the KWR differences to really understand the degree of improvement. Norm Hills will contact Gene Jones.

9. Energywise articles – no update.

10. Meetings for 2015 are: May 20, June 22, July 27, August 24, September 28, October 26, November 23. Times are at 7PM unless otherwise noted.

11. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully,


Norman Hills

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