

Washington Energy Committee Minutes

May 12, 2016

Amended Minutes

Present: Andrew Hatch, Johanna Young and Al Krygeris (joined at 7:45 p.m.)

- Andrew suggested checking out oldwindowrestorer.com, as there are resources there for residents who want to make their historic homes more energy efficient.

Andrew reports the Gibsons are still looking for some solutions for skylights in their home (to reduce the leaky windows)

Legislative updates: one of the promising energy bills; SB 492 to increase RGGI funds for municipalities, was tabled, unfortunately.

- Andrew noted that the program for energy audits through Eversource has spent all its funds for 2016. There was some discussion about the Town Garage and whether or not the TG is eligible for a discount for more energy efficient lighting. Andrew will forward the name of a customer service contact there, when he gets that information. Because 95% of TG lighting is from the solar panels, it means the TG is not eligible for the Eversource savings programs for energy efficient lighting. Despite that an inventory of lighting had been done and Ed had filled out the application for a lighting incentive program.
- There is a new tool on the Eversource website that includes an energy calculator. The interface can be downloaded and energy use data can be entered directly.
- Andrew is now an alternate on the town Planning Board, but he hasn't had the opportunity to bring up possible energy retrofits in municipal buildings.
- Andrew attended the annual Upper Valley Energy Committee roundtable at the Montshire Musuem in Norwich, Vermont. He

reported on the WEC activities and said it was a good event. There was a lot of focus about solar campaigns. People spoke about their Energy Chapters in their Master Plans. LED lighting is very popular. Vermont is facing negative political pressure re: energy. There was also some talk about micro-hydro.

Nh, however, had lots of positive news about net-metering.

Al will reach out to another potential WEC member, Roxy Otterson.

Upcoming action plans:

- Andrew to reach out to Dunbarton about infrared cameras
- Continue dialog about energy efficiency and the TG

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Johanna Young

Secretary Pro Temps