

ENERGY TASK FORCE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

October 23, 2007

7:30PM TOWN HALL

ATTENDING: Mary Fanette, Bill Patrick, Frank Bell, Kate Johnson, Lindsey Pizzica Rotolo, Jim Kochiss, Erick Olsen and Daryl Eaton

ABSENT: Keith Sleeper & Ted Marolda

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Mary Fanette at 7:35pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Frank Bell made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 28th meeting, Daryl Eaton seconded the motion and the minutes were approved by all who were in attendance at the last meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

2010 Campaign Update - No change since our last meeting, but we are getting close to 15% participation. 86.5 accounts have signed up at this point, according to the website.

SBEA Contracts - The Pub, the Corner Store, Town Hall, First Congregational Church, Botelle School and Meadowbrook have all accepted the estimates they've received for energy saving lighting replacement.

Solar Panel Installations - Erick Olsen made a motion to make a recommendation to the EDC to install our free solar array on Botelle School. The motion was seconded by Frank Bell and all were in favor of its approval. Mary will write Libby Borden, chair of the EDC, a letter outlining our recommendation, which will then be passed on to the Selectmen.

Review Goals - A list of The Energy Task Force's original mission, goals and suggested activities was presented by Mary Fanette and reviewed by members of the task force. The first eight (of eleven) goals and activities have been fulfilled.

NEW BUSINESS:

Plans for Future - While reviewing the original goals and activities, several ideas for future activities were discussed:

Energy Fair - Mary would like to revisit the idea of hosting an energy fair, either in town or work with other local groups to co-host a regional event.

Grant Money - We have only spent \$2,250 of our \$5,000 grant, so discussion ensued on what more we could do to enhance local awareness and stimulate education projects. One idea was to hold a scavenger hunt or geocaching event in conjunction with the town's 250th anniversary celebration. There was also discussion regarding the need to follow up on the disposal of compact florescent lightbulbs, as the town was supposed to arrange for receptacles. ETF would also like to see Botelle get involved with another project. Kate Johnson will mention that at their next staff meeting.

Research Feasibility of Alternative Energy for Norfolk - The ETF hasn't fulfilled its original goal of researching wind, hydro, fuel cell and biomass feasibility in Norfolk. These categories were reassigned to task force members.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsey Pizzica Rotolo, Secretary