

ENERGY TASK FORCE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 28, 2009

7:30PM TOWN HALL

ATTENDING: Mary Fanette, Bill Patrick, Ted Marolda, Kate Johnson, and Jim Kochiss
Sue Dyer, First Selectman was in attendance for the entire meeting.
Michele Slone and Star Childs attended the meeting for the discussion of the wind energy zoning regulations.

ABSENT: Lindsey Pizzica Rotolo, Erick Olsen, Frank Bell, Bill Whalen, and Daryl Eaton

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Mary Fanette at 7:30pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Ted Marolda made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 24th meeting, Bill Patrick seconded the motion and the minutes were approved by all who were in attendance at our last meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

• **P&Z WIND ENERGY REGULATIONS PROJECT:**

- P&Z incorporated our recommendations into the moratorium on wind energy and has asked that we be part of their sub-committee, which will write the regulations.
- Eric Olsen, Ted Marolda, Daryl Eaton and Kate Johnson will serve on this sub committee.
- Michele Sloane will be sending a packet of information containing existing wind regulations from other towns and from Power Naturally.org.
- The first meeting of this sub-committee will be September 15, 2009 at 7:30.
- It was noted that any wind turbine over 1 mega watt would be addressed by the Siting Council.

• **PROJECTS FOR THE STIMULUS FUNDS**

- Norfolk will be getting about \$29,000 from the stimulus. It is managed by the OPM, Office of Policy Management. It will need to be spent quickly and has conditions associated with it. It is suggested that it be used for energy audits or efficiency projects.
- Mary researched firms, which do energy audits in the state and has gotten preliminary proposals from two out of the four of them. She will send our RFQ's to all of them for further review.
- Sue Dyer will also look into how other surrounding towns are spending these funds.
- Many members felt that the money should be used on a tangible project as well as the energy audit. Mary and Sue will get more information on staging the work.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Bill Patrick at 9:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Briggs Johnson, Secretary