

MARION ENERGY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

20 May 2015

1. The meeting convened at 7:05 PM in the Music Hall.
2. EMC attendees:

David Pierce	Norman Hills
Eileen Marum	Jennifer Francis
Bill Saltonstall	
3. Minutes: the minutes for 23 March 2015 were approved.
4. Green Community topics:
 - Stretch code – no update
 - Energy Insight – no update, Bill suggested that we invite Seth Pickering to the July meeting to update us on the whole Green Community effort to include the stretch code and Energy Insight usage. A suggestion was made to consider a Town Meeting Article to fund a part time data entry person.
 - Green Community 101 presentation – no update.
5. Benson Brook Solar Garden (capped Landfill):

No update.
6. Briggs Solar Project:
 - The Project is online, expect to see results in next months electric bill. Jennifer noted that there is a meeting next week for all project participants.
7. Other topics included:
 - Future Generation Wind project – expect foundation is supposed to have started in May, Bill will check. Bill reported that two nacelles have been constructed, expect to have the turbines erected and producing sometime this Fall.
 - Energy aggregation; the Town Meeting Article passed. Discussion focused on sending a memo to the BOS volunteering the EMC to help with the evaluation process leading up to a decision later this Fall. David will draft a memo.
 - 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 again.
 - Norm reported that there is another potential solar project on land off of Perry Lane. Scott Shippey is scheduling a meeting next week.
 - Eileen provided a paper discussing the concept of an Energy Management Plan as part of the ongoing Master Plan. It was agreed that the members need to evaluate this concept and consider the possibility of integrating it other related agenda topics (solar on large commercial and residential projects, stretch code, Green Communities requirements).
8. Energywise articles – waiting for information on Sippican School for one article, another possible article would be to describe the energy aggregation process to get to a decision this Fall.
9. New members: The idea of new EMC members was discussed and a couple of possibilities suggested. We need to determine if they are interested. Norm was tasked to review our minutes for the last year to look for potential members among meeting attendees.

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

11. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully,



Norman Hills

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