

Minutes of Deerfield Energy Committee 1/4/24

Attendance - David Gilbert-Keith, Laurie Boosahda, MA Swedlund, Jason Curtis, Steve Svoboda, Jay Stryker

1) Minutes:

- a. Takers - Laurie
- b. Review draft minutes: Minutes of 11/30/23 Steve moves, MA seconds. Approved unanimously.

2) Grant Seeking

- a. Green Communities
 - i) Deerfield Schools - Darius Modestow and Bill Hildreth say Building Management System needed ASAP. IT director suggests it be replaced in the next 15 months. Green Communities could possibly fund the tie-in of controls because energy efficiency would result.
 - ii) Energy Auditing - December 8 report has details for heat pumps and controls. Jason wonders about BDS (consultant) confidence in cost estimates. Jason will talk with Chris Mason (GC) about whether audit is adequate for grant proposal at DES, and how to go about applying for work at Frontier. Can we pursue a grant for Frontier without Conway, Sunderland and Whately? If Deerfield received the grant, would deerfield will get 50% of the offset??? Laurie will talk with Matt McTigue about next steps, incentives...
- b. META grant - proposal was submitted for feasibility of solar on Frontier Regional School. We should hear in February or March. Library, Wastewater Treatment Plant and DPW are good candidates for solar.
- c. Letter of interest was submitted for [Green Communities Climate Leaders](#). MA will check in with Allison Gage at FRCOG about assistance to get town to adopt specialized Stretch Energy Code (possibly schedule a presentation to SelectBoard). Has Library been designed to meet new code? MA will attempt to meet with Tim Hilchey and Denise Mason to discuss.

3) CPA asked for a letter of support to conserve several parcels of land with a conservation restriction. Laurie moves David writes letter for DEC, Jay seconds. Approved unanimously.

4) Solar Action Plan -Lili Dwight made a Prezi presentation. MA presented to CCI on Dec. 5, 6:00 pm. Feedback was excellent. Presentation shared with DEC.

5) Aggregation Update - The postcards with new rates were mailed to residents.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 24, 5:30 pm

MA moves to adjourn, Jason seconds, approved: Meeting ended at 6:10.

Minutes respectfully submitted,
Laurie Boosahda