

Meeting Minutes 20150908

Town of Underhill  
Energy Committee  
08 September 2015

DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Peter Duval, Chris Miller, Tom Moore, and Bob Murphy in attendance and constituting a quorum, the regular meeting was called to order at 6:48pm in the Town Hall Kitchen, with Chris in the chair and Peter D. recording minutes as secretary.

Agenda

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No Change

Public Comment

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None

Solar Siting

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Chris introduced the item for discussion, noting that the town plan was recently adopted and would need amendment. Members were asked to read information from Woodstock provided by Jerry.

Streetlighting

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Bob reported that he has the electrical bill for town streetlights, but not a count of the lights which he is pursuing. Green Mountain Power has leased lights to the town. Those leases would have to be paid in full in order to proceed with the and upgrade. The Efficiency Vermont incentive program is fully subscribed this year. Existing lights will need to be measured; some provide light in excess of the standard, but many provide less light than the standard.

6:58 (Jerry Adams arrives)

A discussion of fog lines ensued.

7:02

Home Energy Visits

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Bob reported the some progress is being made and he will follow up on the list of interested homeowners.

7:05

Minutes

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No minutes were available for the 11 August 2015.

7:06

Solar Siting

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Discussion returned to solar farm siting. Jerry reported that Woodstock has a lot of dimensional requirements. He thinks that Pete B. may have some strong restrictions in mind. Chris will ask Pete B. to bring his research and recommendations to the committee before presenting them to the Planning Commission.

Correspondence

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James Holtzman sent the town a letter about developing a solar farm on the landfill. Discussion about how to handle meeting with developers and vendors followed.

7:18 (Bob Murphy leaves)

Questions covered included whether all meetings would be public meetings, whether to simply listen, ask general questions, or discuss specific projects. Peter asked if landfill mining should be explored as an alternative or as a preparatory step. Jerry described the state's landfill program and closure procedures. Chris characterized the landfill as a liability and risk for the town, which would probably be reticent about redevelopment. Ballasted versus cap-penetrating support structure was discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

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MOTION

Tom MOVED, and Jerry SECONDED to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed UNANIMOUSLY at 7:56.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Peter Duval, Secretary

Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Chris Miller, Chair