

**TOWN OF UNDERHILL
ENERGY COMMITTEE MINUTES
Underhill Town Hall
6:30 P.M. Wednesday Nov. 13, 2019**

In Attendance:

- Peter Bennett (PB), Nicole Bourassa (NB), Steve Webster (SW), Ruth Julianelle (RJ)

Meeting Called to Order: 6:34 pm

Public Comment Period

- No public in attendance

Review/Approve Minutes from Oct. 9, 2019

- PB moved to accept minutes, all approved

Discussion

- Solar Array Update
 - Town signed agreement, CPG was signed by PUC
 - Start next spring
 - Minimize marketing of the array for now

- Town Energy Plan
 - Up for review and comments by UEC

- Website
 - If we have content, SW can get it uploaded
 - Focus should be educational pieces and fundamentals that will stand the test of time
 - Current events
 - Resource links
 - ACTION: SW to provide “white paper” about EVs
 - ACTION: RJ says she owes some content based on outline she provided; start with EVs

- Budget
 - o PB how much do we ask for; communicated with town administrator: level-fund or increase?
 - o Need to defend increased amount in front of SB
 - o PB puts out question again about having an infrared camera and/or blower door...is it realistic? Who can commit to do this?
 - o SW believes that the blower door is the best first step for helping Underhill residents understand their home’s energy needs
 - o ACTION: SW do reality check with Dwight on how feasible it is for UEC to do energy audits
 - o RJ suggests this is a resource to share with Jericho--we buy blower door, they buy camera and towns share

- o PB concerned about what else UEC will be “responsible” for with blower door test→ report? What to do with results?
- o UEC needs to make an inventory of what items exist in the Debra Rawson library and make sure community knows about these and what they are good for--ACTION: Nicole to follow up; kwh meters, etc., includes books!
- o PB suggests we stick to our budget request of \$4k and be prepared to defend to SB

Committee operations

- Committee membership issues
 - o Need to do some brainstorming about bringing on another member; come at it from what skills/attributes would be most helpful?
 - o SW suggests we need someone who can write/research pull together resources needed to build out the website
 - o ACTION: All to keep some momentum on this and bring suggestions

- Next meeting – Dec 11, 2019

Meeting Adjourned 7:30 PM

- RJ moved to adjourn, so moved, all approved

Submitted by Nicole Bourassa