

Meeting Minutes 20140326

Town of Underhill
Energy Committee
26 March 2014

DRAFT MINUTES

Bob Murphy, Tom Moore, Jerry Adams, Steve Webster, Peter Duval, and Chris Miller in attendance, the regular meeting called to order at 6:40pm in the Town Hall Kitchen, with Bob in the chair and Steve acting as secretary.

Annual Reorganization

On nominations by Tom, new officers were elected:
Chris Miller, Chair
Jerry Adams, Vice Chair
Peter Duval, Secretary

Chris immediately assumed the chair, and Peter began acting as secretary.

Town Plan

Jerry reviewed the process. Underhill does not benefit much from CCRPC. The Energy Committee should submit its information for the next town plan to the Planning Commission in April. Bob is going to go to the next regional energy meeting with Melanie Needles of CCRPC.

VHEC

Underhill tied with Jericho for first in our region, with 9 completed projects. We received a \$10,000 award. An awards banquet will be held Friday 5:30pm in Montpelier. Bob will attend, possibly Peter.

Town Garage lighting is a project that the Selectboard would like to see funded. This would be a fixture for fixture replacement. The existing 8 fixtures are 400W HPS. The proposal is to replace them with fluorescent fixtures.

Discussion ensued about the use of the funds for regular expenses of the town versus extraordinary projects. There were also questions about the obsolescence of fluorescent lights and whether natural light might be used in the currently windowless building.

Alternate sites and uses discussed: street lighting, the post office, the schools.

Chris asked that the members compile a list of possible projects for the committee's next regular meeting.

Chris left the meeting at 7:50, with Bob resuming the Chair.
Chuck joined the meeting by Skype at 7:50.

Solar

Steve discussed creating a catalog of existing projects. Jerry mentioned using the landfill for a larger project. Much discussion of power lines followed.

Chuck left the meeting at 8:00.

On a motion from Steve and second by Tom, the meeting was unanimously adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter Duval, Secretary