

**Shutesbury Energy Committee Meeting
December 6, 2010**

Minutes

Attending: Larry Hunter, Clark Sylvester, Bruce Davidson, Susan Reyes, Steve Rice, and Becky Torres

Old Business:

Conservation Measures – Refrigerator and dehumidifiers were replaced with energy star models at the town hall, but the freezer at the fire station needs to be replaced with an energy star model. Becky could not find a small freezer that was energy star rated. After a discussion we agreed to do some research for energy star models for the next meeting.

The water heater at the fire station also needs to be replaced. The committee recommended a tankless system. Becky will get the water use amount in order to properly size the unit.

Improved Insulation in the building – adding insulation had a snag due to the ceiling not being able to support it. Since the light fixtures can be replaced at this time, the committee toured the main floor and recommended that some of the fixtures can be replaced with standard fixtures that can take the compact fluorescent bulbs.

Solar PV's – Since no one could remember seeing them, Larry agreed to resend the photo and information he sent previously in regards to shading of the panels by one of the neighbors trees.

New Business:

Solar SRECS – work was in progress to install the certified meter so that the town can start collecting Solar Renewable Energy Credits.

LEED Certification – Becky asked the committee to work with the library committee on the library to help guide the discussion on a LEED and zero net energy building. The committee agreed to read the LEED instructions and scorecard to discuss at our next meeting.

Update on Green Communities Application:

Becky indicated the application was submitted on time to the Department of Energy.

Next meeting is Monday, January 3 at 7 PM.