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Energy Committee Minutes

February 6, 2012

Present: Bruce Davidson, Steve Rice, Larry Hunter, and Becky Torres.

The meeting convened at 7:00 PM.

Agenda Items:

1. Minutes from the last meeting on 1/09/12 were reviewed and approved.
2. Green Communities Act. No action taken, but Becky needs to put a priority on this so that we can initiate the projects.
3. Franklin County Transit Authority. Becky reported that they have no money to support the senior survey and the town would need to fund it at about \$2,000/yr. The state may have some matching money up to \$6k but state funding is "in the red". Becky will proceed anyway in case money does become available. In the meantime, she is trying to piece a volunteer project together.

We are still interested in pursuing a survey of town folks to see what the interest and projected use of a public transportation system from Shutesbury to town would be. Becky will attempt to get this going.

4. Free Tire Inflation Station at the Maintenance Building. On hold until Fire Station environmental issue is resolved.
5. SREC funds and Revolving account for Energy Committee. Becky needs to talk to Gail on this but thinks the limit is \$50k. Becky reported we got a check for \$1941.
6. Mass Energy Insight Data.
 - a. The data in the system was reviewed and it was determined that there are some inconsistencies in the data. There appears to be months that are missing and some data in one month may actually be two months worth of data. This makes spikes appear in the graphs and interpretation difficult. Becky will contact Mass Insights to determine if anything can be done to correct the data entry. All the electrical data is imputed automatically by Mass Insights. 2008 is also missing half the electrical data, probably because we had 2 different providers that year. We will use 2009 data as the base year for comparisons to other years. Joan Hanson will be entering all the fuel (gas, oil, propane) into the system over the next few weeks.
 - b. The school appears to need some monitoring for energy efficiency. Perhaps Craig could help with his IR camera. Steve contacted Craig who indicated that he was very busy in February. Becky will follow up with him to see if something can be scheduled.
7. Next meeting is March 12, 2012, 7 PM at the town hall. Agenda items will be Green Communities Act projects, Mass Energy Insight data review, and follow up discussion on SES energy inefficiencies.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Rice