

## Energy Committee Minutes

April 8, 2013

Present: Steve Rice, Larry Hunter, Clark Sylvester, Bruce Davidson, Ben Brau. Becky Torres joined the meeting at approx. 7:40 PM.

The meeting convened at 7:05 PM.

### Agenda Items:

1. Minutes from the last meeting on 3/11/13 were reviewed and approved as written.
2. New member of Committee: Ben Brau was appointed to the committee by the select board.
3. Website: Steve prepared an update for the energy committee's website. The committee reviewed the changes and approved the update with some minor changes. Steve will update the website with the changes.
4. Solar project at the Fire Station. Not discussed.
5. ALTRU. Not discussed.
6. Additional Solar Sites: Not discussed.
7. Electric Vehicle Charging Station: Not discussed.
8. Free Tire Inflation Station at the Maintenance Building. On hold until Fire Station environmental issue is resolved. We are still waiting for a report from the D&P based on the last engineer's inspection.
9. SREC funds and Revolving account for Energy Committee. Not discussed.
10. Mass Energy Insight Data: The majority of the meeting time was spent reviewing the insights data. One basic discovery was that the Shutesbury Elementary School was listed as 11,500 sq ft when the actual number is 32,557. This caused our electric usage based on size to be way out of proportion to other schools. The correct sq ft was entered into the program but data may need to be updated to reflect the changes. We noted that the electric usage in summer does not decline that much. Becky indicated that there are summer programs, some full time staff, cleaning activities and some small AC units. The propane spike for the school was for filling the tank for the emergency generator. The lighting at the school was all redone about 7 years ago. The overall benchmarks show energy usage trending down. This is a good sign, but certainly a preliminary observation at this point.
11. Next meeting is Monday, May 6, 2013, 7 PM at town hall. Agenda items will be same as above.

Respectfully submitted by Steve Rice