

## Energy Committee Minutes

June 4, 2012

Present: Steve Rice, Larry Hunter, Clark Sylvester, and Becky Torres.

The meeting convened at 7:00 PM.

### Agenda Items:

1. Minutes from the last meeting on 4/2/12 were reviewed and approved as amended.
2. Becky met with Sarah LaCour, Cows Development Director, and a representative of an energy company with a proposal asking the town to sell some of its available renewable energy capacity. Apparently, all commercial energy credits are used up, but the town can sell them some of our 10 MW capacity. New Salem sold some for 0.5 cents/kw of revenue stream. Citizen's Energy is interested in developing 2 sites at 3 MW each. This could generate up to \$36,000 per year based on 7.2 MW / yr. The energy committee could not see any downside as we can't see developing any more than 1 MW. Becky will call New Salem to get more details on their situation as well as the Franklin County Planning Commission and DOER to get more information. The energy committee thought it would be a good idea to explore some additional sites for adding more of our own solar power.
3. Franklin County Transit Authority. No action taken
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. Not discussed.
6. Mass Energy Insight Data. Not discussed.
7. SES Energy Use. There were no proposals on the sealing and insulation project, so no progress has been made.
8. Town Hall Water Heater. The committee decided to take no action on the addition of spot heaters for the kitchen water. Dishes can be washed using the dishwasher which has a built-in water heater.
9. Next meeting is July 2, 2012, 7 PM at town hall. Agenda items will be additional solar sites, Green Community Projects, and SES Energy use. This meeting was subsequently rescheduled for August 13, 7 PM at Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Rice