

## **Center Harbor Energy Committee Minutes of Meeting – 1 June 2017**

Attendees: Annette Nichols, Bernie Volz, Selectmen Representative Richard Drenkhahn, Carol Sullivan. Chris Williams was absent.

Annette called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

### **On-going Business:**

**Approval of Minutes.** The minutes of the meeting of May 4<sup>th</sup> were approved.

**Library Lighting Upgrades Project.** Annette had some bad news, as the lighting hardware will not ship week of June 5<sup>th</sup> and now looking like late June. This has not yet been discussed with the Library Trustees, but originally they wanted to avoid the summer months. Annette will speak with the President of Elliptipar. The hope is to delay shipment (or store at distributor) until the early fall. Annette will update TNT and Library Trustees once she learns more.

**Town Garage Energy Savings Opportunity.** Bernie reported that the RFP was made available around May 10/11<sup>th</sup>. Annette indicated she had seen it advertised in the papers. Bernie stated that he let Rich Burns of Shakes to Shingles know about the RFP and Rich indicated he expected to respond. We do not know how many other companies may respond. The mandatory walk through is Friday 6/9 at 9AM at the Highway Garage and that will give us an indication. We can cover some of the minor items that came up during the final RFP review (such as door knobs, etc.) during the mandatory meeting.

**NHEC Rebate Request.** Carol reviewed the NHEC Rebate application and has a call into the Coop. Once we determine the contractor based on the RFP responses, she should hopefully have all the information.

### **New Business:**

**PV Project.** Carol updated the group about a senate bill ([SB129](#)) that is being voted on by the house about raising the value of RECs (Renewable Energy Certificates). This could make a town PV project more attractive, but even if the bill passes, it will be several years before any impact will be felt.

**Membership.** Annette asked Carol if she was now interested in becoming a member. Carol said she was, so Annette will send a note to the selectmen requesting that they appoint Carol to the Energy Committee.

### **Other Business:**

**Durham, NH Energy Committee Practices.** The group discussed this document and town's status. The EC had developed an Energy Considerations like information sheet to be handed out with Building Permits but we are not sure if this is still being handed out. Bernie will check with Aimee to see if a copy is available; and if not, attempt to get a

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copy from Steve Caney. Bernie also read the 9 recommendations from section 8.7 of the Town's Master Plan. Annette asked the members to review the Master Plan Energy Chapter (available at <http://www.centerharbornh.org/planning-board/files/master-plan-chapter-8-energy>) in preparation for the next meeting.

Carol stated that she will not be able to attend the July 6<sup>th</sup> meeting, but will send some comments to the members beforehand.

The meeting adjourned about 8:00 pm.

**Next meeting scheduled for July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7:00 pm.**

Respectfully submitted, Bernie Volz, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.