

Center Harbor Energy Committee Minutes of Meeting – 6 July 2017

Attendees: Annette Nichols, Bernie Volz, Selectmen Representative Richard Drenkhahn. Carol Sullivan and Chris Williams were absent, with notice.

Annette called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

On-going Business:

Approval of Minutes. The minutes of the meeting of June 1st were approved.

Library Lighting Upgrades Project. Annette was not able to get an update earlier this week from the vendor/distributor to determine whether the lighting materials were manufactured. She will keep trying, as she would like to update the Library Trustees at their next meeting later this month.

Town Garage Energy Savings Opportunity. Bernie reported that no one attended the mandatory meeting (June 9th at the Garage). Bernie was in contact with Shakes to Shingles and expects them to respond. Carol was in contact with several other contactors and Quality Insulation did tour the Garage with Jeff Haines. Annette followed up with them and they would prefer an alternative method to insulate the Garage walls (remove insulation and spray foam). While everyone agreed it would likely be a better end result, it was also extremely costly (\$50+ K). And, that Quality would not be willing to do some parts of the project (replace entry doors, etc.).

Next the committee discussed how to proceed – issue a more open RFP like Bernie’s early attempt with just a list of items we would like addressed and leaving open to the proposer to indicate what they would do. After some additional discussion, it was felt that we could take alternative proposals with the current RFP and Annette will follow up with Quality to see if they will provide an alternative proposal. Bernie will follow up with Jeff to see if Raynor could do the entry doors.

We can review at August meeting after RFPs are in to determine next steps. Everyone feels that we should try to at least get the cement walls insulated before the upcoming heating season starts.

New Business:

Plymouth Solar Array. Carol had distributed some materials and information regarding a project Plymouth is working on to install a solar array. Annette provided some highlights. After some discussion, the committee will request that Carol investigate town properties to evaluate how likely they are to be able to support a solar array.

Other Business:

Homework for future meeting. Members are asked to:

1. Review the Master Plan’s Energy Chapter (available at <http://www.centerharbornh.org/planning-board/files/master-plan-chapter-8-energy>).

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2. Review the handout that should go with building permits developed a while back by the Energy Committee -
https://www.centerharbornh.org/sites/centerharbornh/files/uploads/energy_tips.pdf.

The meeting adjourned about 8:00 pm.

Note: The next meeting will NOT be the first Thursday of August because of the Town's [Lobsterfest](#).

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 10th, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Bernie Volz, July 7th, 2017.