

Center Harbor Energy Committee Minutes of Meeting - 5 November 2015

Attendees: Chris Williams, Steven Caney, Annette Nichols, and Selectmen Representative Richard Drenkhahn.

Chris Johnson, chairman of CHEC, submitted his resignation to the Selectmen following the October 1st meeting. The team is very sorry to lose him. Chris has been instrumental in finding and implementing many energy saving ideas, which have materially reduced the town's energy expenditures, and have enhanced the beautiful character of the town. All team members wish to thank Chris for his generous service and support.

Annette as secretary called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The minutes of the meeting of October 1st were approved.

Election of Officers. Bernie Volz had indicated to the team prior to the meeting that he would not accept a nomination as chairman of the committee. The team discussed options for leadership. Annette Nichols and Chris Williams were voted in as co-chairs of the committee. Bernie Volz was voted in as the secretary of the committee.

Report on Meeting with Meredith (and Other Towns) Energy Committee (10/22).

Bernie, Chris W, Steve, and Annette all attended. The meeting was very beneficial, and it was agreed that it would be helpful to meet again in future. The Meredith committee were very interested in Center Harbor's experiences in reviewing street lighting, including the views from the public hearing. CHEC offered to share the proposed street lighting guidelines currently in development. Meredith shared their very positive experience with the Honeywell upgrades made at the ILHS, as well as the pellet boiler installation. Current Meredith focus is on supporting the town as they investigate options for upgrades to the DPW facilities. No other invited towns were in attendance.

Report of Energy Workshop Meeting (11/4). No CHEC members attended the workshop.

Report on Lighting Available Technologies. Steve C has not yet had a meeting with John Bovin to review research that larger towns in NH have evaluated.

Review of Fire Station Insulation Project Bids. Richard D advised that no contractor bids were received by the due date. Chris W will meet with Robin to work up an updated schedule, and the project will be resubmitted for bidding. Chris will contact the proposed bidders to make sure that bids will be developed for the follow-up submission. Chris met with the fire chief and John Koslowski to review the electrical work required as part of the insulation project. It is anticipated that the electrical work will not exceed \$2500.00.

Fire Station Dampers. Steve C developed an enhanced design for the covers for the

fire station exhaust vents. Chris, Steve and Annette will meet at the fire station with woodworker Brad Corriveau to brainstorm a design on Monday, November 9.

Draft Guideline for Street Lighting. The CHEC discussed Rev 3 of the proposed guideline. Some members expressed reservations about the proposed requirement to meet 2 guidelines, so the team decided to modify the guideline to make it more open-ended. Annette will incorporate the groups' comments for a new revision to be completed prior to the next CHEC meeting.

Library lighting upgrades. With the departure of Chris Johnson from the CHEC, Selectman Harry Viens met with Chris J to understand the issues and come up with a path forward for making progress on this project. He has a meeting scheduled with Jack Koslowski on 11/11 to review the rewiring requirements of the library. Chris W will have a separate meeting with a retired lighting contractor and Harry to discuss lighting options for the areas of concern.

New Business. The team discussed potential options for soliciting new members for the CHEC. Steve C will contact Bart Kodert. The team will ask Bernie V to generate a letter to be sent to emails obtained as part of a prior energy workshop.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Next meeting scheduled for December 3, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Annette Nichols 9 November 2015.