

Colrain Energy Committee

Meeting Notes- Meeting Number 1- 6/21/17

Present:

Rebecca Tippens, Elizabeth Erickson, Therese Fitzsimmons, Bing Waldsmith, Al Ladd, Peter Brooks, Rockwell Lively,

Agenda: Determine our Open Meeting procedures and officers.

Hear our charge from the Board of Selectpeople.

1-1 Rebecca read the charge which generally was to advise the Board in matters concerning energy efficiency for the Town and the general populace. This would include research and outreach to other Communities and State agencies.

1-2 Rebecca outlined some probable tasks that will need to be addressed as follows.

- A. Publicity; to post notices in local papers, and the Colrain Clarion.
- B. Research past energy issues in the Town, including the Green Community decision.
- C. Liason with the Board of Selectpeople, the Town Administration, Kevin Fox
- D. Liason with FRCOC.
- E. Grant Possibilities; contact othe town committees to find out what they are doing.

1-3. Open Meeting Requirements:

- A. Notice: of meeting time and place must be posted at least two days ahead on the Town bulletin board. It was edcided to meet on the third Wenesday every month at 6 PM in the Library.
- B. Quorum: it was decided that the Committee will include six official members and five must be present for a quorum.
- C. Officers: Elizabeth volunteered to be the Chair with Therese as co-chair. Peter will take notes at least for this meeting.
- A. Swearing In: Members must take the oath with Robin, and watch an on-line video regarding the open meeting requirements.

1-4 New Business:

- A. Committee members volunteered to do some research on things that they were interested in.
- B. Al will contact the energy comittees in Buckland and Wendel. Buckland has become a Green Comittee.
- C. Elizabeth will contact Nancy Hazard in Greenfield.
- D. Therese will research the Green Communities Act.
- E. It was noted that Megan McDonough would be a good resource person regarding the Stretch Code.

1-5. New Agenda for next meeting.

- A. Introduce our selves, our experienc and our interests.
- B. Report on research items.

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1-6. Next Meeting: July 19, at 6:00 PM at the Library.
Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM