

Select Board / Energy Plan meeting minutes: Chris moves to accept, Dawn seconds, adopted unanimously.

Planning Commission budget proposal reviewed.

Question regarding sound standards discrepancies between Town Plan, Enhanced Energy Plan and Zoning Regulations. May need some legal advice on this.

Proposal to reduce legal fees to \$4,000, based on last year's surplus.

Question of whether our Planning Commission will know about any changes in state statutes that may have an impact upon our updating of the Town Plan by January of 2020. since the last Town Plan in 2015 will be known to this Planning Commission before it updates the Town Plan . Bill states the Regional Planning Commission will advise towns of any changes.

\$4,000 for legal and \$1,000 in consulting will be proposed in 2019 budget.

Bill proposes decreasing printing budget and increasing Education and Seminars. Decrease printing budget to \$300 and publishing public notices to \$150 and moving those monies to education and seminars to a total of \$600.

Overall budget will be reduced to \$10,356 over \$11,356.

Chris moves to adopt new proposed budget, Dawn seconds, all approved.

Bill - update on the Button Up Vermont Hero program. Recommendation is to take part in this program. The town would connect with a contractor at no cost to the homeowner. They would receive an estimate of costs for upgrades.

Kick off date is November 8th. The meeting could take place in the school.

The Energy Committee needs to publicise this event. Bill recommends the Harvest Supper as a venue for getting the work out.

Align the sound regulations and zoning regs with the Enhanced Energy Plan. We will have to submit to select board and have a public hearing before it gets adopted.

Planning Commission will request legal advice to confirm that we have the correct sound requirements.

Bill reviews letter he sent to Marion Major. Language uses “prominent” regarding ridge line development. Development on a Timber Ridge ski slope may meet requirements put forth in zoning regs for a solar array, as it is already previously disturbed naturally. Can it be compatible for solar development and not wind development. Major’s response states the site may meet requirements. She recommends checking with town lawyers as it is a bit of a gray area.

Bill - do we want to change any of the language in the Town Plan to make more of a distinction between what can be developed?

Chris will check with town lawyer Tarrant.

The slope of Timber Ridge in question for solar development does not appear to be visible from roads, so view shed is not a consideration.

Next Planning Commission meeting scheduled for November 14th.

Motion to adjourn by Dawn seconded Jeff by all agreed.