Energy Committee Minutes 4/15/21

Meeting opened at 4:36 PM.

Members present: Dawn Bower, Vance Bell, Bill Dunkel, Tom Johnson, Michael Simonds

Michael moved to adopt the minutes of the Dec. 1, 2020 meeting with one minor spelling correction; Dawn seconded; unanimously agreed.

Michael updated the group on the community solar project on his land. He recently had a phone call with Jonathan Nelson and with Rick from Syncarpha Capital. He is working out a lease agreement with Syncharpha, which will own the array. Jonathan Nelson will be the developer, but not an owner. Both Jonathan and Rick are eager to proceed with the project. The array on Old Cheney Road is still linked with the array in Wardsboro.

Bill updated the committee on the Window Dressers zoom call he attended the day before yesterday. Window Dressers plans to build all inserts between October 8 and November 23. They plan to train teams to measure windows in August and will develop pandemic protocols shortly before then. There is not a specific date for committing to participate, but the sooner the better in terms of getting a preferred date for your community build. Bill has asked Bruce Fruman and Peter Bergstrom if Londonderry and Rockingham, respectively, may be interested in collaborating with Windham, if we decide to participate in the program. Bill also mentioned that inserts for large windows, such as those in the Meeting House, can be built.

We agreed that we will take some preliminary steps to find out how much interest in Window Dressers there may be among people in town. Bill will contact the people who signed up at Town Meeting in 2020 to see if they remain interested. Vance will draft an announcement that may be placed on the town website and could be sent to families on the town email list. Dawn will find out when is the next deadline for the *News & Notes*. If necessary, we will have a special meeting within the next week or two to decide how to proceed in soliciting interest.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Energy Committee will be held on May 20 at 4:30 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bill Dunkel