

DEC 1/4/10

Attending: Sam, Suzanne, Chris, Bob, Bill, Alex, Jerelyn

Guests: Craig Stead

Absent: Diana

Chris out-of-town Feb 1 - 12 and March 1 - 7

1. Reviewed agenda

2. Approval of 12/7/09 meeting minutes (Suzanne)

Approved unanimously

3. Covered bridge lighting - Alex

Lights should be received soon; Alex requested 10 with the idea that we have an extra two above the current 8 with the possibility of lights on the gable ends although this is now in question; Select Board wants to install the lights on the gable ends and test their benefit/effectiveness; half of the lights will be installed with the infusers; town committees will be asked to weigh in on the lights on the gable ends as well as the infusers;

Smokey (Stan Howe) has written an article for Views of Dummerston; Alex to comment on his article; Smokey will then submit it to Views of Dummerston;

From Diana on this topic:

- I called Cindy Wilcox, Chair of the Dummerston Historical Society, to let her know that lights would be put up on the covered bridge on a trial basis. Since this could be an issue of light pollution and the Planning Commission has received complaints in that area, she will also alert the Planning Commission. These groups will be meeting January 5 when she will let everyone know.

4. Status of proposals for Town Office/Garage and School - Sam, Alex

School submitted application with help from Union and BUHS engineer for the lights not the air handler;

Submission for Town Garage and Office was turned down;

5. Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) financing for town - Sam

Sam attended SB meeting last week;

Tom Simon coming Wed. January 27 to the Grad Center; Sam and Alex going to get more information at this meeting;

6. DEC report for Town Report

To emphasize:

- Grants proposals – getting experience although we know to keep trying
- New member – Bob Sherwood
- Website
- Covered bridge lighting
- Reformer column
- Kilowatt meters
- Energy chapter in town plan edited
- Resolution on No Idling

7. Anti-Idling resolution – Suzanne

Suzanne to submit proposal to Ben & Jerry's for educational materials
Chris and Jerelyn offered to take signs to various places around the town;

8. DEC website – Bob

Should we have a page devoted to news in general about energy? EESI has summary – Alex will forward to Bob;
Suzanne to send kilowatt meter info to Bob

9. Town Plan revision

Alex to get back to Steve with comments

10. DEC annual retreat – Suzanne, Jerelyn

No extra retreat meeting
Suzanne to contact Lori to say that we will meet Feb 15 and not Feb 1 or March 1.
March 2 is Town Meeting and we will likely have a table – Alex and Jerelyn will be out of town.

10. New business

Craig reported on wood stove research; might want to think about incentives for people to exchange old for new stoves;