

Minutes for January 7, 2020 YARMOUTH ENERGY COMMITTEE (1)

PRESENT: Marilyn Holle, Joyce Flynn, Steve Krintzman, Susan Starkey,
Steve Gavin, Bob Palmeri, Sandra Cashen, Mike Duffy

TOWN STAFF: Rich Bienvenue, Assistant Town Administrator
Tara Monroe, Assessing Principal Office Assistant

PUBLIC: Tom Baron, Planning Board
Barry Margolin
Sheila Place

Joyce Flynn called the meeting to Order at 4:30.

Minutes for the November meeting were unanimously approved with minor revision.

CAPE LIGHT COMPACT - CLC: Next board meeting January 8th at 2:00PM and the meeting will be February 13th at 2:30 PM. Joyce Flynn reported that a DPU meeting will provide more information regarding the allocation between staff expenditures and energy efficiency power supply.

CAPE & VINEYARD COOPERATIVE – CVEC:

Steve Gavin told the committee that Round V contracts were complete for the Senior Center and that Rich Bienvenue had the contracts for lease with the developer, ACE American Capital CVEC and town attorney.

Battery storage at the Dennis Yarmouth Regional High School is designated as a commodity, but not when in use during shelter.

SOLARIZE PLUS GRANTS: If the Grant application submitted to Clean Energy Center is approved, notification will be received next month. Mike Duffy prepared an organization chart with responsibilities for members of the committee. They are as follows: Rich Bienvenue – Municipal Representative, Mike Duffy - Solar/ASHP Co-Coach, Steve Krintzman - Solar Coach, Mark Grylls – Director of Inspectional Permitting, Cape Cod Coop Financing, Volunteers Joyce Flynn - Outreach Coordinator, Steve Gavin –ASHP Proposal Review, Bob Palmeri – Low-income Outreach, Sandra Cashen – Education Outreach, Susan Starkey – Religious Outreach, Marilyn Holle – Event Registration.

TOWN UPDATE: Rich Bienvenue informed the committee that the town has a contract with Rise engineering. Funds received from the Green Community have been used to install a charging station for electrical vehicles, two Nissans leased and two more to come. The site review for 50 Workshop Road is moving forward. The Energy IT state grant of \$100,000 is expanding OpenCape Fiber Optic Internet and is working on partnering with municipalities and communities.

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ANNUAL ENERGY COMMITTEE REPORT: Joyce Flynn brought a draft report to the meeting. Discussion of minor revisions was abbreviated due to time constraints. The committee unanimously approved a motion to authorize Joyce to complete the report.

ARTICLE FOR WARRANT FOR THE TOWN MEETING: Barry Margolin and Sheila Place brought a copy of the article they placed in the town meeting notice. The petition is asking the town to declare a climate emergency. The article recognizes climate change as a man-made, existential threat to the community, but does not identify any specific actions. The Energy Committee had no prior knowledge of or input to the warrant. Although there was some discussion on the wording the deadline had passed and no changes could be made.

Next meeting: February 4, 2020 4:30 PM. Adjourn at 6:50