

Energy Committee meeting- 7/13/21 -via zoom submitted by L.Wurzburg

Present at meeting: Pam Parker, Steve Isham, Scott Campbell, Ben Dedee, John Ajamie, Lynn Wurzburg

1) Previous meeting minutes seconded and accepted

2) First Hearing of proposed Energy plan recap:

- need to address Dennis Smith's concern about solar panel disposal
- for different scales of solar installations- zoning bylaws can determine restrictions for siting and decommissioning solar panels ( for installations above 150Kw)
- decommissioning rule 5.9.00- addresses facilities above 150kw (500 and above is separate), less than 150kw- don't need approval by PUC. 150kw=600 panels

3) Suggest to Selectboard some parameters for second hearing:

Pam- talk to Jim Brown about zoning guidelines, decommissioning for solar  
Steve- will write up first draft of document review of bylaws and decommissioning guidelines. (about #56. w/link, sec. 3 siting ?). - he will send draft of bylaw document

Ben- will draft opening statement for next hearing, tailored to discuss questions from board members

- discussion- should we follow-up with letter to select board about their concerns? Offer to have discussion about those concerns, contact them individually ? Will they impose a time-limit for public comments and limit discussion to Energy plan?

4) Composting/Recycling- recap by John of current activity

- John and Lynn met with Barnet recycling directors to view their recycling center and obtain insight and recommendations, John talked with Josh Kelley of ANR (Agency Natural resources)- VT State Trash/Recycling official
- Josh recommended we find out what the current thinking is of Selectboard and Chad Whitehead regarding St.J. recycling situation

Have three options for moving ahead:

- retain services of Casella for all trash and recycling (status quo)
- Join NEKWMD, recycle for free in Lyndon; and/or pay in St.J. to Casella per- capita for their services

- Do recycling/trash ourselves with our own facility

- we will contact the town (St.J) about Hazardous waste costs to us

5) Electric Vehicle event- Sept. 18- Colors of the Kingdom- should we participate?

6) August meeting?- should we meet directly after hearing and where?

Next meeting- Tuesday, Sept. 14 , 5:30-7

