

ENERGY COMMITTEE MEETING

Saturday, August 13, 2016

Eden, Vermont

Members attending: Craig Kneeland, Keren Ferrari, Ralph Monticello

Craig Kneeland called the meeting to order at 9:12 AM at the Eden Central School.

C. Kneeland read Matt Mitchell's copy of notice and agenda for the 8/13 meeting.

Approval of the minutes were postponed until the next meeting.

Items discussed: (informal agenda)

The proposed Vermont Public Service Board net metering rules and reimbursement fees.

- C. Kneeland discussed changes in plan to reflect grid maintenance fees for users and reduced net metering credits to new installations.
- Committee members were encouraged to respond privately to the Vermont Public Service Board regarding proposed changes in net metering rules.

Town of Eden wind tower reimbursement.

- A general committee discussion regarding the annual reimbursement to the Town of Eden from the Lowell wind tower operation.
- R. Monticello indicated the funds are documented in the Town Report.
- Committee agreed the funds should be allocated to promote and develop energy efficiency to the town.
- Committee would work toward having discussion of wind tower fund use at next Town meeting.

Home Energy Plan.

- C. Kneeland suggested Energy Committee should meet with the Town Planning Commission while an updated Town Plan is being developed.
- K Ferrari indicated a prepared presentation should be developed so that there are proposals to consider at the joint meeting.
- **Motion** by C. Kneeland and seconded by K. Ferrari to advance our interest in meeting with the Eden Planning Commission. Motion passed unanimously. C. Kneeland volunteered to assist in the presentation.

K. Ferrari led a discussion regarding Sterling College's net metering project. It was agreed that Eden Energy Committee invite a College representative to a future meeting.

K. Ferrari discussed ideas regarding a private solar (energy) survey for the Town of Eden.

A motion to adjourn was approved at 10:14 AM.