ENERGY COMMITTEE MEETING

Saturday 02.10.2018

Eden, Vermont

Members attending: Keren Ferrari, Craig Kneeland, Ralph Monticello

Keren Ferrari called the meeting to order at 9:16 AM at the Eden Central School.

Ralph Monticello moved and Keren Ferrari seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the December 8, 2017 meeting.

Craig Kneeland suggested a discussion of the energy component of the Eden Town Plan be added to the agenda.

Keren Ferrari, who is a member of both the regional and town planning committees discussed the town planning process and the steps leading to the acceptance of the Eden plan’s adoption by the Lamoille County Planning Commission. The Eden Town Plan is official and will be updated as needed and rewritten in eight years.

Keren also noted that Eden has requested the addition of significant ridge lines within the town be excluded from industrial wind development.

Craig Kneeland opened a lengthy and informative discussion about the distinction between commercial (farmstead) and industrial wind projects. The committee acknowledged that non-industrial wind project should be allowed where appropriate.

Ralph Monticello distributed a list of previous energy committee objectives and a discussion followed regarding their progress.

Ralph also raised the issue of an Enhanced Energy Plan for Eden. Keren explained the current feeling of the town planning committee regarding a formal energy plan.

Keren asked if the committee was prepared to speak at Town Meeting is questions are brought up about the energy committee. Craig Kneeland indicated he would be prepared to speak on behalf of the energy committee.

The meeting adjourned at 10:36 AM.