

Dunbarton Energy Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date: **May 16th, 2011**

Present: Wayne Bracy, John Stevens, Lee Richmond, George Holt, Brent Sowle and Jason Dubrow.

Meeting stated at 7:45 PM .

1. The regular meeting of the Dunbarton Energy Committee opened at 7:45 PM following a presentation of the NHSaves .NH Home Performance with ENERGY STAR. program, organized by the Goffstown Energy Committee, by Next Step Living, one of the contractors involved in the program. Members of the Goffstown and New Boston energy committees also attended.
2. **Approval/comments of April meeting minutes.**
 - o April 18, 2011 Minutes approved.
3. **Public comment:**
 - o None
4. **Old Business:**
5. Members discussed the NHSaves program presentation. The statewide NHSaves program is operated by the state.s electric utilities who have a group of contractors they each use in the program. The program offers a residential energy audit for \$100 and a 50% rebate (up to \$4000) on remediation measures identified and performed by the contractors.
 - o Members voted unanimously that as a Town appointed Committee, the Dunbarton Energy Committee cannot endorse any one contractor.
 - o John will get a list of the contractors used and speak to Sam Elliott at PSNH for further details on this program and other programs available.
6. Members reviewed public outreach and projects organization spreadsheet. We need to operate and complete one project at a time to avoid overtaxing resources.
7. Publicity:
 - o Lee and Jason will work on a poster design to communicate with the public.
8. Energy audit raffle progress:
 - o The NHSaves program may be a way to get low cost energy audits for residents.
9. Grant projects status.
 - o The School solar panel system continues to operate but its output appears lower than expected. It is likely that the circulation pump differential turn-on settings and pumping volume need to be optimized. George will investigate. The effort to tie the system controller to the internet, allowing classroom access to monitor the system, continues. George has set up a meeting with the school.s IT person to finish this phase. Some material invoices have not been received yet, Dawn is working on this.
 - o The Energy Audit projects are complete with final report received. John will apply for final grant payment when the vendor supplies the invoices.
10. **New Business**
 - o As we were at the customary meeting end time, it was decided to postpone these items till our next meeting
11. New ideas.
 - o No discussion.
12. Technical forum, discussions.
 - o No discussion.
13. Identify energy projects in town.
 - o No discussion.
14. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM .

Next meeting: June 20th, 2011 at 7:00PM at the Town Offices.

Respectfully Submitted: John Stevens