



Town of Coventry

Energy Conservation/Alternative Energy Committee

Meeting August 3, 2016 6:30 PM

Members Present: Jennifer Reilly, Danielle Kloster, Mark Keifer, Tim Sadler, Andy DePalma

Members Absent: Brandon Bradley

Audience of Citizens: N/A

Call to Order: Jenn Reilly called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

Approval of Minutes: Tim Sadler moved to approve the minutes from June 1st, Jenn Reilly seconded the motion, there was no discussion, all were in favor.

Old Business:

Jenn Reilly reported that Home Energy Solutions audits are going well and that the two vendors have been attending the Coventry Farmers' Market to generate more interest.

Jenn Reilly updated that the LED street lighting project along Main Street is still in the works.

Jenn Reilly updated that LED installations in Town Hall are currently on hold pending further review.

Mark Keifer reported that the solar lights in the park are operating well and that the band shell lighting is not yet completed but that Ackert Electric will be working on finishing the project when time allows.

Mark Keifer reported that the DBS solar install at North Coventry Fire Department is still currently on hold, waiting for the vendor.

Mark Keifer reported that the contract for town trash pick-up has been renewed and the pilot program for 25 residents to acquire extra recycling bins is moving forward. The pilot has generated interest and if anyone is interested they should contact Donna Wrubel at Coventry Public Works.

Jenn Reilly reported that there are currently no other large scale town solar installation projects in the works, but Tim Sadler is exploring other potential installation locations including municipal, agricultural and state land ideas located within Coventry.

Jenn Reilly updated that the energy policy is still on hold and will be revisited after the Solarize campaign winds down.

Jenn Reilly offered to print flyers for the Coventry Farmers' Market to be used for recruitment for the energy committee while volunteers are tabling for the Solarize campaign.

Danielle Kloster updated that the Building Committee is moving forward with putting out a bid for boiler or burner replacement for natural gas in the middle school, high school, and complex.

Mark Keifer reported that the natural gas pipeline installation is moving quickly and will be hooking up to the high school and town hall in the near future and then run down Main Street to the fire department and police department. The line is not currently charged but the project is moving along as planned.

The Committee adjourned early in order to all attend the Solarize Ambassador meeting where they discussed volunteering at tabling events and other ways to promote residential solar throughout the community.

The next meeting will be September 7, 2016 at 6:30 pm.

Jenn Reilly called the meeting to a close at 6:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Kloster