

Town of Derry, NH

Energy & Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

October 19, 2015

Attendees: Maureen Reno, Marc Flattes, Marius Zainea, Anthony Marciano, Tom Morini, Chris Cox, and guest Cindy Peaslee

1. Call to Order – Maureen Reno (7:07 PM)
 - a. Motion made to accept Sept 21st 2015 minutes by Marc Flattes. Maureen seconds.
 - b. Motion made to accept Sept 28th 2015 minutes by Marc Flattes. Chris Cox seconds.
 - c. Motion made to accept non-public minutes of Sept 28th by Marc Flattes. Chris Cox seconds.

2. Chairman's Report
 - a. Maureen Reno thanks all committee members that participated in the Town Clean Up.

3. Old Business
 - a. SNHPC: no new updates at this time
 - b. EVCS: Chris Cox is still investigating. Ballpark estimates are in the \$2,500 range for a basic station. Some discussion among committee members about where and when. Marc Flattes makes motion to recommend an RFI to solicit companies to respond with their own ideas on this topic. Maureen seconds.
 - c. Solar Landfill Project: There is still some legal discussion between the town and vendor taking place. At the State level, there is concern regarding utilities at or close to the net metering limits. Maureen Reno suggests that there may be an extension and increase of the limits when the state legislature reconvenes in January of 2016. Maureen would like to draft a letter to state elected officials in support of these limit increases. Some discussion follows about who should author this letter. Marc Flattes suggests that the best way to reach a large audience is to submit a letter to the editor of the Union Leader, but not on behalf of the committee.
 - d. LED Streetlight Project: EEAC will testify at the Town meeting on October 20th in support of this project. Mike Fowler may also announce winning bidder at this meeting.
 - e. School District Outreach: Maureen is looking for some assistance in drafting a letter to the school district. Anthony mentions that the School District recently upgraded their boilers to support Natural Gas. This is related to the new gas lines that have been places to deliver this natural gas to both Grinnell and Hood Schools. Marc

agrees to help craft this letter. Would likely be routed through or directed to Jane Simard, business manager.

- f. **Transfer Station Education Plan:** Maureen outlines some of the changes that will take place with the opening of the new facility, expected in January. It will allow greater separation of goods among other things. Mike Fowler may still want committee members on site in January for approximately the first 3 weekends of operation. Marc points out that this is the learning curve interval for new patrons. Some discussion about fines for violators and what the implication of this would be. Most agree that this would create more problems than it would solve. Maureen will get some additional input from Mike Fowler about exactly what role committee members will play in this education process.

4. Open Discussion

- a. **Energy Savings for the Home Event:** Marc wants to have this event again in February 2016. Possibly using the "Button Up" team again. Maureen indicated that she will reach out to them.
- b. **Social Media discussion about posting protocol.** Marc speaks some about maintaining a neutral position.
- c. **Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day on November 21st from 9am –noon,** Nelson Fields in Londonderry
- d. **Motion to adjourn by Maureen. Seconded by Marc. (8:40 PM)**