

Town of Pawlet, Vermont

Energy Group Meeting

Meeting Notes

Date and Time: Monday, July 27, 2015 @ 12:00 noon

Location: Pawlet Town Hall

Members in Attendance: Harry Van Meter hevanmeter@gmail.com
Elizabeth Gibson egib@vermontel.net
Ken Friedman kenneth.j.friedman@gmail.com
Nancy Morlino nancym259@aol.com

Members Absent: Sue LaPorte sel53@vermontel.net
Cintia Morrissey amiconst@gmail.com

Others in Attendance: Karen Folger porchhillk@comcast.net

Others copied: Deb Hawkins pawletclerk@vermontel.net

Purpose/Intent of Meeting: To foster discussion of topics relevant to the awareness of energy use, efficiency and conservation within the Town of Pawlet and to establish and promote guidelines for the implementation of the energy initiatives set down in the Town Plan. The Group, at the request of the Pawlet Planning Commission, is working on revising the energy section of the Town Plan for 2015.

If it is believed that these meeting notes are not complete, accurate, or in context, please notify the undersigned of such discrepancy within ten days following receipt of this record.

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15.07.01	Meeting Minutes	The minutes from our last meeting on June 22, 2015, have been distributed and posted at the town website, http://pawlet.vt.gov/town-offices/energy-group/ .	EG
15.07.02	PACE program	Elizabeth is waiting to hear from John Thrasher regarding his concerns about the PACE documents. The board had asked John Thrasher to review the paperwork received from Efficiency Vermont after the voters approved Pawlet as a PACE district (property assessed clean energy), with Efficiency Vermont as the program administrator, in the March town election.	EG
15.07.03	Energy Section of Pawlet Town Plan	Elizabeth has circulated the latest version of the energy section to the PEG and we concurred that the conclusions are okay. Over the next couple of weeks we will review the solar system siting discussion referred to in that chapter. The energy section must be finalized in the next few weeks, as the Planning Commission has an August 24 deadline for completing the Town Plan revision.	All
15.07.04	Town Hall heating system for auditorium	Karen Folger informed us that Rich Baker has not submitted an estimate yet and we decided to consult with Efficiency Vermont about the feasibility of a heat pump system. Nancy will contact Efficiency Vermont.	NM
15.07.05	Solar Array for Mettawee Community School	Nancy is planning to attend the August 12 UD#47 board meeting to discuss this topic with them.	NM
15.07.06	Future Activities	Our work over the next months will be to identify some projects to focus on over the next five years, per our conclusions in the energy chapter of the Town Plan.	All

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15.07.07	Next meeting	The next meeting of the Pawlet Energy Group is scheduled for Monday, August 24, 2015, 12 PM, at the Town Hall.	

Submitted by:

Elizabeth Gibson, Temporary Secretary