

Minutes of Williamsburg Energy Committee Meeting: 5.05.09

Location: Town Offices, Senior Lunch Room

Present: Kim Boas, John Cotton, Tomasin Whitaker, and Gary Kuntz

Absent: Andrew Webster

The meeting was called to order by KB at 7:12.

Topics discussed:

1) Previous meeting minutes were not approved. They will be presented for approval at the next meeting, scheduled for Tuesday July 9 at 7 pm.

2) Tomasin reported that DOER audit of town buildings likely to take place during week of May 11-15. Bill Lafley of CET to conduct audit of Meekins Library, Town Office building, Town Hall building, Haydenville Public Safety buildings, Williamsburg Fire Department, and the Town Highway Department buildings. Kim suggested that the audit should include the Dunphy school building though the school buildings have been designated to be part of an audit of Hampshire Regional School buildings.

Gary will coordinate with Bill of CET to make sure he has contacts at each audit location. Gary will also inform Lisa Wenner of Meekins Library; John will be available for the Haydenville Public Safety buildings and will inform Donnie Lawton of Williamsburg Fire Department and Kim will inform Eleanor of Town Office and folks at Town Hall of the coming audit.

3) Tomasin reported that 40 households signed the Take Charge pledge at the Florence Savings Bank Anniversary event, Saturday, April 25. Pledge numbers from Worthington, Cummington or Plainfield weren't available. Tomasin passed out the Take Charge brochures to the Haydenville Congregational church and inquired about contacts at the Williamsburg Congregational and Our Lady in Haydenville. **Committee members agreed that we should distribute Take Charge brochures at the June 1 town meeting. Kim will forward Charlene Nardi's email to Tomasin regarding contacts for the Chesterfield parade. Tomasin was encouraged to ask the Journal to insert a running total of Take Charge pledges.**

4) Clean Energy Choice (CEC) Funds: Kim indicated that information from the DOER audit is needed to prioritize use of the town's allotment of CEC funds.

5) Green Communities: Kim suggested that folks at Town meeting should be presented with a description of Green Communities along with how it may become a possible source of funding for the town. **Tomasin will send Kim Green Communities Act information.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:12, moved by TW, seconded by JC.

Next Committee meeting scheduled for 7 PM Tuesday, June 9