

Hartland Energy Committee Meeting Minutes
Skunk Hollow Tavern, Hartland, VT
March 19, 2009

Attendees: Peter Allison, John Crossley, Karl Kemnitzer, Jeem Peterson & Rob Sangster

Meeting called to order: 7:50PM

Old Business:

- EPA Portfolio Manager
 - Karl shared the early results of his work with the tool:
 - Troublesome, incongruously high energy usage at Four Corners Center.
 - Elementary School is far & above the heaviest energy user.
 - Damon Hall is third-most intensive energy user.
- Energy Fair/Booth at Farm Festival/Old Home Day
 - Per the select board, vendors are approved at the EC Booth for both/either event.
 - Phil R wants to provide pamphlets.
 - **Agreed: Postpone further booth discussion to next meeting (April 16).**
- Energy Audit Budget
 - Select board declined request for audit funds, but left the door open for later requests from the committee.

New Business:

- Street Lights
 - Propose to schedule shut-offs during early hours of the morning.
 - CVPS does not meter municipal lighting, towns are billed by contract rates; conservation steps may not benefit Hartland financially because of this.
- Transition Town
 - Helen D already involved in planning meetings.
 - HEC won't take independent action, but can support Helen if needed.
- Solar electric system for Library
 - Site is rated 'okay' for sun exposure per local architect.
 - Karl K is preparing a more detailed report for the library staff.
 - Karl K is investigating incentive programs to assist with costs.
 - **Action: Karl K & Jeem P will coordinate a site visit & make needed measurements for the report.**
- James Hanson Speaking at Dartmouth
 - Thursday, April 2nd at 7:00PM.
 - Cook Auditorium in the Thayer School of Engineering at Dartmouth College.
 - Inaugural Great Issues in Energy Symposium: Climate Presentations will be given by leading climate scientist James Hansen, Director of the NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies, and energy policy expert Jason Grumet, Founder and President of the Bipartisan Policy Center and Executive Director of the National Commission on Energy Policy. This will be followed by a moderated discussion, questions and answers from the audience, and a reception.
 - Pre-registration details forwarded by Amber B.
- Communication Policy
 - HEC is still not registered with VECAN's website.
 - **Agreed: A single email address presence for all online communications are needed, so that if roles change inside the committee, the email address does not need to change.**
 - **Action: John C to register a Gmail email address, configure account for optional forwarding & share login information with members.**
- Meeting Venues
 - Next meeting will be held at Rob S's home with a meal prepared by Jeem P
 - **Action: All members please bring extra cash to reimburse Jeem's ingredient expenses.**
- Roles
 - Rob S remains primary point of contact/spokesperson.
 - Peter A was nominated for Moderator role, no second recorded.

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 16, 2009 – Rob S's home
Meeting adjourned 8:38PM