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Meeting of:

Pelham MA Energy Committee

Date of Meeting:

March 6, 2017

Time of Meeting:

6:45 PM, formally opened at 6:55 PM

Location of meeting:

Community Hall, Pelham MA

Members Present:

Stan Swiercz, Alisa Pearson, Rick Adamcek, Charles Thompson

Also Present:

Bella (canid)

- 1. Minutes from Feb 6, 2017 meeting corrected and approved, as amended.
- 2. Report on roof repair and insulation project approved. Annual report revised and data backfilled.
- 3. Ice dam problem on Community Center: Rick Adamcek met with Shafer Eng'g and MDM to figure out a fix for the water problem.
- 4. META grant not yet announced.
- 5. Ms. Pearson described the Local Power/ community aggregation concept. She suggested organizing a community meeting and inviting Paul Fenn to talk about community energy independence. He will be in the area between March 25 and April 1.
- 6. Committee reviewed some of the possible options to pursue in the future, including:
 - a. Neighbor-to-neighbor, Mass Save type efforts, local promotion and assistance
 - b. Solarize Mass
 - c. Heating and cooling
 - d. Windows
 - e. Leased solar
 - f. Wind
 - g. Vehicles
- 7. Idea for META grant analysis of opportunities and payback periods would it qualify?
- 8. Miscellaneous: what can Bernie Kubiak do for us? Follow-up with Ben Weil (drawings); how do we know if/ when we've reached the magic 20% energy reduction target? Transportation discussion.
- 9. Next steps/action items:
 - a. top priorities for META if possible = library insulation; windows, including Rhodes Building; heating and cooling for library and Rhodes
 - b. Invite Paul Fenn and move forward with informational meeting on Community Choice Aggregation
 - c. Further investigate Solarize Mass (future)
- 10. Next meeting April 3.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Submitted by Charles Thompson, Secretary