

## Thetford Energy Committee Meeting Draft Minutes – 6/12/18, 5pm, Town Hall

**TEC Present:** Pete Thoenen, Mike Kiess, Mary Bryant, Bob Walker, Joel Legunn, Erika Ko, Chris Hebb, Manny Grewal

**Guests Present:** Phebe McCosker, Carole Petrillo

**Called to order 5:10 PM**

**Review and approve minutes from 5/15/18 meeting** - Approved unanimously.

**Transfer of Chair to Mike** – TEC voted unanimously to transfer position of chair from Bob to Mike. Mike will do agenda for next meeting.

**Future of the TEC** – TEC decided to set an evening date for a long range planning meeting. The meeting will go from 5-9pm and be held at the Thetford Center Community Center. The task will be to work through exercises from Vital Communities' Strategic Energy Toolkit. All TEC members should review the Toolkit available on line at <http://www.nhenergy.org/strategic-energy-action.html> Mary will check on the availability of the TCCC on 7/25, 7/31, 8/2 and 8/21. She will let Bob know which dates are open and Bob will send out Doodle poll to the TEC to find the date that works best for most. Bob will also invite Jim Masland, Tim Briglin, Stuart Blood, Stuart Rogers. Mary and Pete will converse to plan the meeting. Pete will review and summarize the toolkit and they will decide which exercises we should do. Mary will draft an announcement to go to the list serve and town newsletter about our planning process and seeking input from community members about our past activities and future work.

**Enhanced Energy Planning Update** – The committee is working on renewable site criteria. TRORC has run out of money for assisting us with this work, but Alice is still passing questions on to them. The EEP Committee will pass draft criteria by Planning and Conservation Commissions and TEC when complete.

**Renewables Site Review Committee** – Phebe will tell the Planning and Conservation Commissions about the idea of forming a renewables site review committee and ask their opinion and if they would appoint someone to the committee. She will also make sure they are up to speed on the EEP process and see how it fits in with the overall town plan process.

**2018 Sustainability Programs** – The first 3 events have been very successful: 60 people attended “Tomorrow” movie and discussion; 60 attended the Heat Pump and Geothermal workshop; 34 attended the Compost workshop. Discuss and logistics for the Vermod workshop, July 14<sup>th</sup>. Phebe, from EVT will provide names and addresses of low income residents in surrounding towns by June 29 for a mailing. Mary will let us know when materials are in and leave copies of the materials at the Village Store for Erica, Carole, Pete, Manny, Joel. Mary to process the mailing. Mary will submit LTE, transactional ad. Erica and Phebe will attend.

**Reluctant Radical movie** – The TEC decided not to sponsor this movie, as we want to keep things inclusive for everyone and not turn some folks off with what might be perceived as too radical. Bob will let the person who requested it know. Mary will look for a TED talk about a conservative Texas mayor who got his community to go 100% renewable and Pete will look into renewable credits for farmers.

**Energy Tip:** Mary will submit a notice about the TEC's long-range planning process, seeking input from community members about our past programs and future initiatives to help guide our planning.

**Next TEC Meeting Date** – July 10<sup>th</sup>, 5pm, Town Hall