

Islesboro Energy Committee Meeting Minutes March 26, 2018

Present: Sandy Oliver, Bill Thomas, [Toby Martin](#), Janis Petzel, David Petzel, Jim Roberts, Todd Congdon

1. Call to order
2. No minutes from Feb. 26 meeting?
3. No Visitors' Comments
4. No Correspondence/Petitions
5. Toby explained that Johnny Hassock is resigning from the committee and asked if we thought a new member should be asked to join. Current group might be enough. No decision made.
6. Old Business
 - a. Jim contacted CMP about switching to LED's for street lights
 - Mixed results – a 'yes' from one contact, other contact says 'no', town has to replace bulb sockets and stock LED bulbs, then CMP will use them to replace burnouts.
 - Could save \$2,000/year in energy costs for town's 53 street lights.
 - Toby and Jim will go to Municipal Conference [on April 27](#).
 - b. Toby reports that replacing interior bulbs with LEDs and updating aging heating systems in town buildings will chip away at energy costs.
 - c. Toby and Jim reported on search for future solar array site for town.
 - Septic field consideration on hold until DEP approves it for current use.
 - Todd will call Revision to find out about date for current array coming on-line. (Revision says by [April 6](#))
 - Janice brought article about Isle Au Haut creating independent mini-grid. Discussion about similarities and differences between Islesboro and Isle Au Haut electricity.
 - Town power generation could go beyond town's own needs if LD1444 is passed.
 - d. Dave reported on his progress with Public Transportation for Islesboro
 - Discussed conducting survey via Survey Monkey vs. the town mailer.
 - Dave needs survey results before April meeting with Mid-Coast Public Transportation.
 - Bill will send out dummy of Dave's survey to the committee members.
 - Can we add email addresses of school contacts (students, magnet students, families) to survey recipients?
 - e. Vehicle Charging Stations will be addressed in 2nd survey

Janice asked if DOT might put stations at both ferry terminals.
 - f. Toby discussed Island Institute's Spring Conference, May3-5.
 - Members encouraged to attend Portland event, [May 3](#) & 4.
 - [On May 5](#), attendees will come to Islesboro.
 - Visits to PYY/ICS/Town Office
 - Jim started map to show extent of efforts on island.
 - Bill offered to scan map and start looking into graphic representation of different island energy saving efforts.
 - solar array sites
 - weatherization sites
 - wood furnace sites?
 - Map prep meeting tentatively set for [April 9, 4:30pm](#) at town office. (Toby has asked about other dates in subsequent email)
 - Toby reported school garden shed electricity generation numbers.

7. Meeting Adjourned.

- Next meeting [April 23, 4:30pm](#) at Town Office unless otherwise notified.