## Swampscott Energy Committee Meeting

Tuesday, January 15th, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Swampscott Town Hall, Conference Room

Attendees: Ryan Hale, Tom Dreeben, Tara Gallagher, Samantha McCafferty, Peter McNerney, Ellen Goldberg, Neal Duffy, Nicolas Scibelli

## <u>Agenda</u>

- 1. Approve minutes from previous REC meeting
  - a. Approved via voice vote
- 2. Solarize Plus Application for 2019
  - a. Solar Coach candidate identified: Peter, plus one that Ellen can name from Nahant
  - b. Joint application opportunity with Nahant: just received their Green Communities designation. Many connections between the two towns (e.g., schools, sports), approximately 1500 households and 3500 residents
  - c. To clarify with CEC: does Solarize Plus require purchase of PV \*and\* another system like air-source heat pump, or promote both but allow purchase of one?
  - d. Large motivation for change set by latest IPCC report.
  - e. Recommend a "Solar Plus Team" of community volunteers to increase participation
  - f. Grant of \$5k per Town is for Marketing, which can increase if additional plus technologies are in scope; \$1k of this goes to solar coach
  - g. Town representatives required from Swampscott and Nahant as a point of contact for the program and to participate in vendor selection after pre-vetting by CEC
  - h. Roles from this Committee for follow up actions
    - i. Ryan to follow up with Sean about best point of contact from Swampscott
    - ii. Ellen to identify solar coach and Town contact from Nahant (Tony Barletta)
    - iii. Manage grant application content and timeline (Sam, Nick to help) <4/15
    - iv. Tara to recruit Solar Team members, plus Ellen's proposals
    - v. Create marketing and outreach project plan (Nick, Peter)
    - vi. Ryan to schedule a call with CEC and as many of this group can join
    - vii. Neal & Tara to contact Salem contacts to gauge interest in participation
- 3. Collaboration with other Town committees
  - a. Capital Improvement Committee Max provided a quick update. Expect middle school roof to be delayed, potential Clarke boiler replacement (2-3 year project). Kelly Stevens is the new assistant engineer for Swampscott.
  - b. EV charging stations: National Grid and CEC will offset most of the costs. These should be included in the next Green Communities application cycle (March 1st). Max confirmed that the 2018 projects are complete. Vicky Masone is involved as a Green Communities consultant, also assists other Essex County towns
  - c. School Building Committee REC member to attend
- 4. Preparing Warrant language for Revolving Energy Fund
  - a. Ryan will prepare a draft for the next meeting and work with Ron Mendes on submission
- 5. Next meeting:
  - a. Monday 4 February focus on Green Communities application
  - b. Monday 11 Feb focus on Solarize Plus (with Nahant) and Warrant language