

Renewable Energy and Sustainability Advisory Committee (RESAC) – Town of Yarmouth

Meeting Minutes

Date: July 10, 2019

Present:

<u>Committee Members</u>	<u>Town Council Members</u>	<u>Town Employees</u>	<u>Public</u>
Toby Ahrens	April Humphrey	(none)	(none)
David Ertz	Richard Plourde		
Chuck Parker			

Votes & Decisions:

- Minutes from previous meeting: Not approved (did not have quorum; Lianne Mitchell, Heather Abbott, Scott Sherriff not present).

Commitments Made:

- David will continue to make progress on locations and logistical considerations for a potential community solar installation.
- Toby will continue to stay up to date on building committee energy efficiency considerations.
- Heather will continue working on a draft RESAC column for the quarterly town newsletter.
- Chuck continuing to work with Window Dressers.
- Scott to reach out to Richard to ask how RESAC can help with EV event.
- Toby to reach out to Yarmouth Chamber of Commerce.
- Toby to reach out to Nat Tupper to get on Town Council Ops Mtg agenda for general RESAC update in mid- to late-September.
- Next meeting is Aug 14th

Meeting Notes:

- Toby provided a brief update on energy efficiency considerations in the school additions and public safety building.
- David provided updates his presentation to the June 20th Town Council Operations Meeting. The purpose was to provide an update on RESAC an overview of the potential solar project to ask the Council if (1) they support the project in concept and (2) whether we are focused on the right piece of land. David received generally positive feedback and will continue initial investigations into feasibility. David provided additional updates from progress since the Town Council Ops meeting.
- The Committee was asked to provide an update to the Town Council sometime in the near future. RESAC should be ready to present its vision, where we have been, where we are, where we are going. A September Ops meeting was suggested, perhaps after our Sept 11 RESAC meeting. Toby to reach out to Nat to get on the agenda.
- Richard mentioned the Tri-Town EV event on Sept 14th. Yarmouth is encouraged to participate, but if we do, we should know what it entails. Scott Sherriff will be the contact.

- The Committee discuss a potential October community education event (library?) focused on energy efficiency going into the winter. Heat pumps (Chuck has a good contact) and other efficiency measures (Efficiency Maine?) could be the focus.
- RESAC was encouraged to reach out to the Yarmouth Chamber of Commerce to let businesses know that we are a resource for them if needed. Toby will follow up.