

## **MINUTES**

### **West Newbury Energy Advisory Committee.**

Monday January 14, 2018, 6pm  
Lobby of the 1910 Building,  
381 Main Street, West Newbury, MA.

**Attendees:** Liz Callahan, Elisa Grammer, Rick Parker, Chip Wallace

### **Administrative matters**

Mary Winglass sent us an application from Phillips Robinson of Main Street to join the committee. All members agreed we will be happy for him to join.

Elisa will post all three Pipestave solar field photos to the committee website. She was encouraged to make simple modifications to the website without prior approval from other committee members. She will make some other updates to the organization of the site to improve its usefulness.

### **Grant application discussion.**

Committee members confirmed the decision from last week not to apply for Green Communities grant funding this year.

Liz mentioned that a new MassDEP program to fund EV charging stations came out last Friday. Funding categories include workplaces, multiunit dwellings, fleets, public access, etc. The 1910 building potentially fits the bill for a workplace station and maybe public access also. There is no apparent conflict with Green Communities funding policies. She will send a web link to members to consider whether we should apply. Dave Archibald has encouraged us to look at EV charging in the past. Possible locations: 1910 building, Pipestave Hill.

Liz had sent out a summary of the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) program for discussion with selectmen. Joe Cosgrove at MVPC could be our consultant guiding us through the process. Committee members agreed we should recommend to the selectmen that we work on a grant application and we would plan to be involved.

The committee discussed the microgrid study, agreed to look for contractual provisions with Seabrook concerning the Town's use of the safety complex generator, and adjourned to the selectmen's meeting and the presentation of the microgrid study.