

Sandisfield Green Committee Minutes September 16, 2019

In Attendance: George Riley, Anina Carr, Larry Dwyer

Location: Town Hall Annex, 2:00 PM

The meeting began at 2:00 PM with the reading and approval of the minutes from August 26, 2010.

The following topics were reviewed:

- Bidding Procedures.
- Town Hall Annex Insulation
- LED Lighting
- Net Metering
- Town Hall Annex Windows

1. Discussion of Dept. of Labor Standards bidding procedures. Larry spoke to the Attorney General's Office today and received a reply in writing (e—mail) which stated that up to \$100,000 for Green Community projects is exempt from prevailing wage rules. Therefore, the bids are conducted through best practices rules.

2. Since we have received the ruling stated above we can notify Double RR that their insulation and pipe insulation bid will probably be accepted by the Selectmen at their Sept. 23, 2019 meeting. George recommended that the two bids be consolidated into one. A vote was taken and this recommendation was accepted unanimously.

3. A new and more detailed bid was received from Doug Wilbur for electrical work at the Library and the Town Hall Annex. We compared this bid to Jay Reynolds bid, and though the work and equipment stated in the bids was comparable, D.E. Wilbur's bid was lower, so we will recommend the Selectmen accept it at the Sept. 23rd meeting.

4. Larry has received new information from a member of the Green Committee in Windsor who said that that public buildings do not qualify for net metering, unless they are hooked up to 3 phase electric wires. We do have access to 3 phase so we would be eligible. We would be able to get net metering up to 25 kilowatts. Nina said we should reach out and try to get a reference for someone who is knowledgeable in this area as it is complicated. George responded that he thinks we should try the three engineers who are interested in a design of a heat pump system and a photo voltaic system. George needs to write the RFP for this project, and then meet with them. Once we have the design specs for heat pump and solar array, we can put them both out to bid. We need to make sure we qualify for net metering.

5. Still no bid from Annelo for Windows at Town Hall Annex.

6. Meeting adjourned 3:30 PM.

Minutes by Nina Carr