

Sandisfield Green Committee Minutes July 15, 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 of the minutes from June 11, 2019.

The following projects were reviewed:

- Insulation estimates for Town Hall Annex.
- Net Metering and Senate Bill S1974
- LED upgrade for the Town Annex and Library.
- Solar panel and heat pump installation in the Town Annex.
- Windows

Two estimates were compared from the insulation contractors, Double R and R&M Insulation. After comparing both estimates it was decided that the favorable quote was from Double R, but a final decision is pending depending on an additional 3rd quote which Larry would procure for the next Green Committee meeting.

Larry made a site visit to the Town of Windsor and to research the solar array and heat pumps installed for the Windsor town hall. The Windsor solar array cost \$93,000 for a 24 kW system. After the array was installed, Windsor found out that the town did not qualify for Net Metering. Towns with solar arrays under 60 kW are classified as private and not public systems. The cap for private Net Metering has been exhausted so Windsor did not get the financial benefit of Net Metering. Massachusetts Senate Bill S1972 is supposed to rectify this. George sent emails to the Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities, and Energy and Senator Hinds on June 21, 2019 to support S1974. Larry also sent an email to Smitty Pignatelli on June 21, 2019.

George was still waiting for a quote from B2Q Associated for the engineering audit and design. Plumbing contractors were told to hold their quotes until we get specs from the engineer.

Jay Reynolds was again called to submit a quote for the LED lighting project for the Town Hall Annex and Library. We were also still waiting for Kimberly to call back and submit a lighting quote.

Window contractors will be called by Larry Dwyer to submit quotes for new windows for the town hall annex and library.

Meeting adjourned 3:40 PM.

Minutes by Larry Dwyer