

Orford Energy Committee Minutes, June 9, 2015

Present: Committee members: Robb Day, Emily Bryant, Ted Cooley, Anne Duncan Cooley
Meeting started around 7:00 pm.

1. January minutes. Notes from the meeting were reviewed and accepted.

2. Event reports. Emily reported on events she attended:

- Energy Committee Roundtable 4/28/15. Well-attended. Topic was Group Net Metering. See power point presentations from the meeting on SERG website: <http://www.serg-info.org/uvecroundtables/>

- Presentation on Cold Climate heat pumps 5/6/15. Jake Marin of Efficiency VT presented. Again, see the SERG website <http://www.serg-info.org/> for the powerpoint of the talk, list of installers, and recording of the talk.

- Movie about Northern Pass "Power of Place" 5/28/15. Presents the viewpoint of those who do not want to see the power line constructed.

Ted mentioned that the Social Library has a movie license that might help if we want to show the movie

3. Getting more members:

>>>Emily will call or put notices out of the list serv to see if there are people who are interested, especially those who showed interest in the Solarize program.

4. Green energy initiative. Hanover had a program to have people sign up for ENH Power for their electricity. This power is green-e certified to be non-fossil fuel, non-nuclear and non-large hydro.

5. Interim Chair. Motion: Robb moved and Ted seconded that Emily be the interim Chair of the Energy Committee. Motion passed.

6. Possible grant from **Rural Development** Anne mentioned that UVLS Regional Planning Commission person on the Long-Range Planning Committee said that the USDA Rural Development program may have grants that we could apply for, for energy improvements to town offices.

>>> Anne will find out more about the Rural Development program

Next meeting: July 13, Aug 11, or Sept 8. Depends on what Anne finds out about Rural Development and how busy people are with the 250th celebration and its committees.

Meeting adjourned at about 7:45pm

Notes taken by Emily Bryant.