

Mason Energy Commission Minutes 8/5/19, Mann House, 7PM

Attendees:

Dave, Doug, Liz, Curt, Garth, Kathy

Agenda:

- I. 7-7:10 -- minutes discussion/approval
- II. 7:10-7:30 -- button up workshop logistics
- III. 7:30-7:45 -- button up workshop advertising
- IV. 7:45-8:00 -- button up workshop community supper
- V. 8:00-8:15 -- button up workshop handouts, including energy survey for 8/8 comm supper and MP handouts/survey
- VI. 8:15-8:25 -- lighting update
- VII. 8:25-8:30 -- Portfolio manager update
- VIII. 8:35-8:45 -- MP transportation chapter
- IX. 8:45-9:00 -- other business, incl next MEC meeting falling on Labor Day
- X. 9:00 -- adjourn

I. Minutes:

The following changes need to be made to the minutes of 7/1/19

- (1) We don't have to apply for smart start, change to on-bill financing, and when we sign the contract is when we apply (see "Smart Start" paragraph)
- (2) Take out car15 (see "Mason street lights" paragraph)
- (3) Put a space between garage and lights (see "Problem with new garagelights" paragraph)

Liz moved, and Dave seconded to approve the minutes as amended.

II. – V. Button up workshop: We went over the to-do list for the workshop and discussed what was left to do.

- A. Advertising has been done/will be done as follows: Mann House, Library, Temple community supper August (Kathy), Henry Herndon's newsletter (Kathy), Bronson's event (Dave), Mason community supper July/August (Marina/Liz/Michelle/Darrell), Facebook (Michelle), Mason Church newsletter (Michelle), Monadnock ledger (Kathy), and Milford Cabinet (Kathy). Advertising will be done at the Mason school (Dave/Marina) when school starts and at the Temple community supper September (Kathy). If possible flyers will be placed in public places in Hollis, Brookline, Wilton, Greenville, and New Ipswich (Kathy). Doug plans to put up large signs around town, Curt will help him.
- B. Day-of handouts will be created. These will include both Margaret's and Carl's studies (Kathy will make copies), 3 types of handouts that Ted (the speaker) is bringing, and information about the MEC and its subgroups (Kathy will create and make copies). Garth will be cutting up his FLIR poster, adding grommets, and hanging on the white dividers in Fellowship Hall. Dave and/or Doug will supply the grommets. Dave will check the Kill a Watt meter out of the library to display on the hand-out table.
- C. Day-of logistics include table and presentation setup, personnel assignments, and community supper cooking, serving, and cleanup. People need to be positioned to greet, sit at the handout table, eat with Ted, serve food and discuss energy issues with attendees, prepare food, and clean up afterwards.
- D. Miscellaneous. Dave agreed to periodically announce the workshop during the community supper. There will likely be some kind of music in the sanctuary during the supper to entertain people while they wait for the workshop to start.

VI. Lighting update

There are still questions that Carl needs to answer. Kathy Wile is working directly with Carl to get answers to the BOS questions.

VII. Portfolio manager update

Marina was able to get electronic access to the fuel use data for the town through town employees (not with her own password or account).

VIII. Transportation chapter for the Master Plan

The latest version of the transportation chapter is available from NRPC for review. A class 6 road section has been included that discourages upgrading class 6 roads to class 5. The MEC (especially the Master Plan subgroup) should compare the transportation chapter to similar chapters in other towns. The Planning Board is working on a format for all the chapters, and the Master Plan subgroup should wait to draft anything until the format is nailed down. Note that the transportation chapter was not approved by the Planning Board on 7/31, although it seems to be labeled that way. The NRPC is apparently working on a solar ordinance for the updated master plan (Kathy is to get more info from NRPC). The MEC should come to the 8/28 Planning Board meeting prepared to make comments on the transportation chapter (MEC Master Plan subgroup + Dave).

IX. Other business

The September MEC meeting falls on Labor Day. As per the original MEC charter, MEC meetings that fall on federal and state holidays are not required to be held. Therefore, the next MEC gathering will be the Button up Workshop on September 12, and the next MEC meeting will be October 7, 2019.

X. Adjourn.

Curt moved to adjourn and Liz seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM.