

Energy Task Force (ETF)

The charge of the Task Force will be to explore and evaluate renewable energy to supplement or replace conventional energy to benefit town facilities, infrastructure and operations; to evaluate renewable and conventional energy applications, options and costs with a goal to reduce the town's energy consumption and costs; to identify attractive and feasible projects; to advise and assist the town in development and implementation of a local action plan for climate change; and to report to the Town Manager, for presentation to the Select Board, your findings and recommendations for funding and implementation.

Minutes of the meeting of May 21, 2008

Members present: Andrea Chasen, John Hoagland, Dean Kavanagh, Dick Kmetz
Jerry Nolet and Roger Wojcik

Members Absent: Paul Santaniello

In the Gallery: No one

The minutes of the meetings of December 14, 2007, February 5, 2007, March 14, 2008 and April 11, 2008 were approved with corrections.

Old Business:

Status of the work to define a solar heating system for the high school pool.

Dean Kavanagh reported on his search for a qualified vendor to apply insulation to the walls of the high school natatorium. This search identified Stuart Fearn of SAFCO Foam who specializes in spray applied closed cell urethane foam. During a meeting with Adrian Phaneuf a description of a proposed insulation project was developed and Adrian agreed to contact a general contractor who would be responsible for handling the entire job, using SAFCO as the insulation installer, and get a cost estimate for the job. Roger Wojcik will get an update from Adrian on this work.

John Hoagland will contact Mr. Christo at MTC to determine the availability of state funding for insulation projects of this type.

Discussion of revised charge to the Task Force

The Task Force continued discussion of its charge to *advise and assist* the town in developing and implementing a local action plan for climate change. Andrea Chasen indicated that ICLEI has available software which can be used to document a baseline "greenhouse gas emissions inventory". She will obtain a copy for review at our next meeting. The next steps in our work will be to make projections of emissions growth and establish a green house emissions reduction target.

Status of the work to define a demo solar powered security lighting system for Glenbrook.

On May 2, the Task Force requested time before the Select Board to brief them on our proposed solar/PV project. The initial schedule for this briefing was June 2; the schedule has since shifted to June 16 and now to July 21. Jerry Nolet will ask Hal Haberman to schedule 15 minutes for the Task Force report on June 2.

New Business:

The Task force agreed to write a status report covering its work over the past year. Once completed, the report would be given to the Town Manager for her use and published in the local newspapers to encourage participation in energy conservation and other Task Force work. Wojcik will draft this status report.

The Task Force agreed to meet next on June 5.

Minutes submitted by Roger Wojcik.