

Northfield Energy Committee

June 23, 2020

Present: NEC Members - Denise MacMartin, Gail Hall, Sarah Wolfe, Ted Fisher (via conference call)

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Vice Chair Sarah Wolfe.

Minutes from the March 17, 2020 meetings were approved.

Updated Meeting Schedule:

There was consensus that we should resume our meetings on a monthly basis. We will meet the third Tuesday of the month, at 6:30 pm, via conference call. We will continue to assess the possibility of meeting in person and resuming our twice-a-month schedule, but do not anticipate that will happen within the next few months.

Kiosk Update:

The Community Bank has given the okay for the use of their property. Adam Sevi, professor of engineering at Norwich, recently met with Gail, Denise, Community Bank Branch Manager Crystal Gaudet, and Regional Manager Matt Villa, to mark out the dimensions of the structure. The contract for services has been reviewed by the Town Manager and we anticipate it will be signed soon after checking on a few provisions. Anticipated foundation pouring is for fall 2020, with the building of the structure and moving it to the site in spring 2021. This accommodates the delays due to Covid as well as the Norwich course scheduling.

Fundraising for the kiosk was also discussed. We will explore grant possibilities rather than seeking extensive support from local businesses.

Carrying on in place of Secretary MacMartin, who was made virtually absent at 7:17 p.m.

Efficiency Vermont -

- Virtual campaign, using FPF, Facebook, etc.
- Question of fundraising aspect, and funds for community members. Member Wolfe will have more details as they become available.
- We agreed it would be something we'd like to participate in. (unanimous, 3-0).

Question of Membership

- One member, Jane Pekol, is no longer a resident of Northfield.
- Committee agreed to inform the select board and start recruitment for a fifth member.
- Suggestion to have each member reach out to potential interested parties to solicit interest.

Meeting adjourned (virtually) at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise MacMartin, with assistance from Ted Fisher
NEC Secretary