

## **Energy Committee Meeting (unapproved)**

Thursday, December 5, 2019, Randolph, Vermont

Attending: Jen Phipps, Susan Mills, Walter Scott, John Lutz, , Andre Walker (phone), Pat French, Gary Dir

Guest: Adam Wigget

Meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM

Approve minutes: Jen motioned that we approve the November minutes, Susan seconded it and the committee voted to approve the minutes.

No public to be heard.

School Solar:

The school will be looking for bids on the elementary school roof in the spring. According to John Lutz Layne Millington would like to install solar as part of the roof replacement. They plan on using the reserve fund for this. Adam would like someone to create a step by step plan for the school board to move forward on solarizing the schools. He would like to create a financial proposal showing the savings, the life time and the payback of the project. Adam has received permission from the Public Utilities Commission and Green Mountain Power to build an array on the Braintree Elementary School. R3 will draft a letter to the school board and would like the Energy Committee to support this project. R3 will put Adam on the agenda for their coming meeting on Tuesday.

Other business:

Jen has asked that R3 group make a formal request to use Energy Committee funds. The energy committee will take a vote on requests on funds at the January meeting.

Jen suggested that the R3 group take the lead on school projects while the Randolph Energy Committee take the lead on projects relating to town buildings. It was suggested that the Randolph Energy committee look into ongoing projects involving Kimball Library and Chandler Music Hall.

Clarification of the R3 committee and the Randolph Energy Committee was requested. The Randolph Energy Committee is a municipal organization that has been around for 15 years. They follow rules established by the Vermont league of cities and towns. For example the agenda must be posted at least 2 days before a meeting.

The R3 group was created to maintain the R3 group created in 2018. They are a community based group that is separate from the town and encompasses Braintree, Brookfield and Randolph. This group is not governed by the town and should consider creating their own mission statement and bylaws.

Next meeting for the Energy Committee will be Thursday January 2, 2020

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm

Respectfully submitted

Jennifer Phipps