

Meredith Energy Committee

May 12, 2011

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Members Present

Ken Colburn Reed Leberman Phil McCormack Mark Billings

Members Absent w/notice

Bill Bayard Wendy Bagley D J Quagliaroli Nate Torr

Staff Present

John Edgar Angela LaBrecque

Consultant

Clay Mitchell

Meeting called to order at 7:07 PM

Minutes from April 14, 2011

- Motion to accept by Billings, seconded by Edgar. Voted unanimously

Administrative Issue

- Ken informed the committee that Wendy Bagley has stepped down from the committee. There was some discussion about adding a member to fill the vacancy.
- The three newer municipal building have been examined under the ETAP program. Conducted by Peregrin and this was not an energy audit. The draft report had just arrived on May 12th.

The company met with the building supervisors and had received data on the buildings energy consumption. The company calculates an "Energy Usage Index". Typically an EUI of 80 or lower is good. The Police Station came in at 80, the Fire Station was 46 and the Community Center was 102. There are a number of opportunities to conserve energy usage and those were included in the report.

- Better system programming
- Possible lighting upgrades
- Outside lighting at Fire Station
- Hot water usage, shift from boiler to instant hot system.
- Ventilation in Fire Station creates massive air turnover and heat loss.

John Edgar briefed the committee on the purpose of the Master Plan, the role and responsibility of the Planning Board and how frequently the plan is updated. There are municipal statutes that come to bear in creating a Master Plan, sections 674-1 through 674-4. There are two sections to the plan, the Vision Section and the Land Use Section. One of the choices the committee faces is whether there will be a

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separate energy section, or including energy language in each appropriate section of the Mater Plan.

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John also spoke to the features of the 2002 Master Plan.

- Community Plan, people based
- Relevant use of well sourced data
- Trend Value
- Importance of communication
- Shared Values, Vision
- Long Term Goals

In conclusion, John spoke about the Master Plan being both a Top-Down and Bottom-Up approach.

Clay Mitchell updated the committee on the Regulatory Audit and the need to identify and eliminate barriers for “Good Work”. Clay also spoke about the need to educate those involved.

Motion to adjourn

- Motion by Billings seconded by Leberman.

Meeting adjourned at 9:12 PM

Next meeting; June 9, 2011 and July 14, 2011