Alternative Energy Committee - Meeting Minutes

TOWN CLERK

Date: January 9, 2020

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Location: Duxbury Senior Center

DUXBURY, MASS.

Attendees: Lew Segall (Chair), Matt Cooney, Susan Fontaine, Kevin Kingston, Lynn Smith, Jessica

Williams, Wendell Cerne, James White, Bernie Gardner

Absent: Marc Peterman, Matt Koenig

Minutes:

1. Call to Order: 7:30 PM by Mr Segall.

- 2. The committee voted and unanimously approved the December 2019 meeting minutes.
- 3. Resident Bernie Gardner, a retired physical oceanographer, expressed his interest in joining the committee, gave an overview of his background and was unanimously approved to join the committee by committee vote
- 4. Dinesh Wadhwani, CEO and Founder of ThinkLite gave a presentation on the company and an overview of their products and services. ThinkLite specializes in LED lighting retrofits and seeks to have the most efficient products on the market which are ~30% greater efficiency than the market average efficiency (Lumens per Watt). This efficiency helps to shorten the payback period and extend the product lifetime. ThinkLite has worked with towns such as Cambridge, Belmont, New Bedford and Wellesley and stated that when combined with utility incentives of 40%, the cost to replace streetlights has an ~2 year payback. Dinesh recommended looking at smaller projects independently that have multiple elements (e.g. vehicle chargers) to maximize the available subsidies to the town.
- 5. Jessica Williams and Susan Fontaine led a discussion about the best way to bring ThinkLite information to the town's attention.
- 6. Lew Segall stated that he would reach out to Valerie Massard to discuss ThinkLite and to receive an update on green communities.
- 7. February 13th was proposed as the next meeting date.
- 8. Adjourned meeting at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Kevin Kingston