

## Sutton Energy Committee Meeting Minutes

November 21. 2022

Meeting called to order 6:08

Attendees: Donna Nicol, Dana Patoine

Old Business:

- a. Meeting minutes were read and approved from last meeting
- b. Increased Solar capacity on firehouse
  - After reviewing electricity usage (based on two years charges in town report) a system of 20 panels around 8500 kwh would offset bill
  - Assumptions: 3 meters (firehouse, town office, town garage), higher than average permitting costs b/c municipal building permits
  - Cost would be approximately \$25,200
  - **Next steps: Propose to selectboard to see if they want to proceed in 2023**
- c. Insulation in attic of town office
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- d. Window dressers update
  - 177 window dressers were built in our second year with Burke and Wheelock as partners
  - Next year a partner with neighboring towns would be necessary to continue with this program (Sheffield, Lyndon, Burke)

New Business:

Donna & Dana reviewed our current initiatives and found that they are in line with our goals of

- 1) Increase energy efficiency & reduce consumption of town buildings
- 2) Provide information to town residents to save money & reduce energy consumption
- 3) Support window dressers as a program and a way to help reduce the heating costs for town residents
- 4) Energy Fair: this seems like a stretch goal and maybe would be better done as a local region effort rather than a town effort

Meeting adjourned at 6:49pm