

Montague Energy Committee Meeting July 7, 2016

Present: Sally Pick, Pam Hanold, Jason Burbank, Ray Sebold

Sally got in touch with Bryan Camden manager of the TF airport and shared the information from Jennifer Atlee (sourced with Claude AI) regarding the feasibility of solar generation on property by the airport. Brian shared that they have spent a great deal of energy trying to find ways to work with the Eversource limitation of grid tying a system beyond their listed hosting capacity of 200 KW.

There was discussion to reach out to local state representatives to help make this solar addition possible. Other suggestions of using the neighboring tech school to somehow make this additional solar feasible. It was also stated that Bryan likely has little or no energy to pursue this further as they have spent considerable time and money on this with no success. Additionally, the language from Eversource is clear that they don't wish to Host more generation at this location.

MEC revisited the member perspectives on pursuing certification as a Climate Leader Community (CLC) which includes the Specialized Energy Code. We agreed that pursuing the CLC is a desirable goal but felt that given the challenges of the library and tech school funding that this is not the time to bring this before the selectboard and town.

Tabled was outreach and education. Ray shared a link to a video showing how to make winserts. The link will be posted on the MEC website.

Minutes from the March 17 minutes were approved with corrections.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday Sept 1 @ 4:30.

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Ray Sebold