

## **Minutes - Montague Energy Committee Meeting Feb. 10, 2015, Downstairs Meeting Room**

**Present** – Chris Mason, Sally Pick, Jeff Singleton (left at 6:55 to cover meeting upstairs), Tim Van Egmond.

**Designate facilitator, scribe, action item checker:** Chris, facilitator, Tim taking minutes, no action item checker.

**Minutes** from Feb.3, 2015 meeting: minutes were approved.

### **Proposed Natural Gas Pipeline**

•Jeff introduced letter he drafted re: Low Demand Study produced for the state by Synapse. Discussion on what to say we'd like – someone we could ask questions for clarification.

Members suggested revisions.

Jeff reported on Kinder Morgan Open House at GCC.

•Communication with other groups: FRCOG acting on this?

Agricultural Commission, talk with Chair

Board of Health – has office hours. Sally will contact Gina McNeely.

Board of Selectmen.

Conservation Commission (meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs. of month 6:30 PM).

Chris will talk with Walter on Ag & Conservation Commissions.

Chris also looking for info on decision points needed in order for FERC to approve.

### **Town Energy Issues**

• Schools - Chris hasn't had chance to get Jim Huber (sch. Facilities/Energy Mgr.) and Frank together yet.

• EEAC 3 year plans – DOER wants to bring input from communities to EEAC about MassSave.

• Senior Center – deferred.

• Shea Theater – deferred

• Mass CEC grant to FRCOG. Buckland, Shelburne, Greenfield, Montague. Study about community shared solar. Outreach to landlords on Energy Efficiency.

### **Energy Efficiency Outreach:**

- MassCEC grant to FRCOG.

Chris said FRCOG now has grant in hand, but they haven't announced to anyone yet. Peggy says need for steering committee to move process forward. Asked Chris to be on committee, he said yes, strongly suggested there be someone from each community on committee. Chris will try to get more info out on

this, ready to discuss at next couple of MEC meetings.

**FRTA, other public transportation**

Deferred

Agenda item – discuss allocating time at future meeting for Jeff's proposals.

**Agenda for next meeting:** Chris will send to Deb and Anne Clark at town and MEC members.

Sally will send approved minutes to Anne Clark.