

Energy and Sustainability Committee
Meeting 2/5/19

Call to order 7:32 pm, Liz Bone, David Marinelli, Robert Kapner, David Miller, Andrea Chasen (arrive 7:37)

Approval of minutes: 5-0-1 David Marinelli abstain

Jan 15, 2019- approved as amended 2018 to 2019

9/13/18

5/15/18

7/11/18

- Need to send message to Debbie House to update our webpage with new members and correct title.

- HHW info. Gas pipeline group going to planning board with citizen's petition on Feb 6th, 2019. Gives town some restrictions on building and maintaining pipeline structures.

AG has filed bill that says no new pipelines unless a dire need, and needs to consider Global Warming Act.

Public Forum coming up in Western Mass to voice concerns.

Seems like pipeline expansion is still in early stages.

Town should hire attorney that will help us with utilities.

Quick plan for Committee- Read through EIR (look at table of contents) and look for references for Longmeadow with feedback to Marie by Feb 6th.

- Look at map of proposed pipelines for water areas and conservation and historical land.

- Look through the siting and zoning by law (sent by Andrea)

- Marie will report back after Feb 6th meeting

Plastic Bag Ban-

Republican interview

Press Release

Distribute information to businesses

Give 3 more months to start enforcement- August 13th.

AG office will get back to us by Feb 13th, so send out notice to all businesses. Liz to write, and send to Debbie to mail. Get business list from assessors.

-Write a paragraph for Annual Report by Feb 8th. All work on it.

-David Miller to check in with Capital Planning on list of energy projects that hope to go on their list for FY20

- Streetlights- Has not started the audit yet. Missed the boat on Green Communities monies. Crane has contacted MAPC has funds for streetlights. He put streetlights on warrant and is working with other towns.

Green Communities monies- Need to start looking at projects in September 19, for grant deadline in Feb, 20.

Next Meeting-March 5th, 7:30 pm Room (TBD)

Adjourn- 8:50 pm

Respectfully, Liz Bone