

ENERGY ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

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DON BLEASDALE
CHAIRMAN



MEETING MINUTES

January 14, 2019

Chairman Don Bleasdale called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

The following members were present: Don Bleasdale, Frank Maricic, Stacie Vourakis, Rick Warren and Chris Zaberto.

Jane Harsha was absent.

Jason Crawford has resigned from the Committee as he moved out of the area.

Minutes – A motion was made by Mr. Zaberto and seconded by Mr. Maricic to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2018 meeting as submitted. All were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

March 5th Program at Somers Library Update – Maryanne Rivera owner of Landscape Concepts will speak about lawn and tree care; yard planting and composting at the program being sponsored by the Committee at the Somers Library on March 5th at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Zaberto will also speak that evening about NYSEG's vegetation management plan, in particular regarding what is the homeowner's responsibility versus that of NYSEG. Educational materials will also be available. Arrangements will be made to have the Town as well as the Library send out an email blasts and a press release will be sent to The Somers Record.

NYSEG Task Force Update – The NYSEG Task Force met on December 4th. Unfortunately, Mr. Zaberto was not able to attend but he will continue to go to the meetings and keep the Committee up to date on what is being discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

Energy Performance Contracting Services – At their November 8, 2018 meeting, the Town Board accepted the Request for Proposal for Energy Performance Contracting Services for all Town owned buildings from Johnson Controls, Inc. A conference call was held on December 13th which Mr. Bleasdale and Mr. Maricic participated in.

Call2Recycle – The Town participates in Call2Recycle, a battery recycling program. Moving forward, in order to get the boxes and bags needed, an employee of the Town had to complete an on-line training and take a quiz, which Secretary to the Energy Environment Committee, Mrs. Schirmer did and received a Certificate of Completion on January 14th.

Brick Hill Road Crosswalk – At the December 13, 2018 Town Board meeting, a discussion ensued during public comment about calming the traffic on Brick Hill Road. The Energy Environment Committee is in full support of sending a memo to the Town Board requesting that at the very least, crosswalk hashmarks be painted in white or yellow across Brick Hill Road to identify the trail crossing that is near the Route 202 end of the roadway. It was also suggested that the Open Space Committee be consulted about doing the same.

Highway Department Solar Project – Mr. Maricic asked for an update on the Highway Department Solar Project. Mrs. Schirmer will follow up and report back at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m. The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Monday, February 11th at 7:30 p.m. at the Recreation Center in Van Tassell Park.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Schirmer, Secretary
Somers Energy Environment Committee

cc: Energy Environment Committee
Town Board
Town Clerk
Open Space Committee