Lee Energy Committee Meeting Minutes

September 5, 2017

Lee Safety Complex

Present: Sharon Meeker, Barbara Wauchope, Mary Peterson, Louis Grondin

Volunteers: Laurel Cox, Cary Brown, Jana Petrovikova

Guests: Toby Van Aiken, Manager, Recycling Center

We discussed the following:

Swap Shop: Toby has a plan to build a new Swap Shop that will be connected to the building where metal objects and scrap wood are taken in, usually for a fee. The LEC believes that not being able utilize extra heat and electricity from the Baylor Building diminishes the LEC's interest, although the group stressed that we should look for ways to use alternative energy in lighting and heating the building at the new location. Toby has plans drawn up for the new swap shop proposal and will be presenting it along with specific expenses to the selectmen at their next meeting.

Lighting: The LEC is concentrating on the PBS building and installing LED lighting. An energy audit needs to be completed very soon for both the PBS building and the Recycling Center so that specific costs for materials and labor can be listed and personnel can be hired to do the work. First for the PBS, though, is repair to the part of the roof that has been damaged by snow dams during past winters so that heat currently being wasted can be a part of energy saved

Insulation of ceiling in Recycling Building and the oil tanks: Lou is working on learning how costs can be reduced for this.

Offshore wind Energy: A brief discussion cited the need for more information about Project 350 and its programs which include alternative energy sources. Doug Bogen is a representative of that organization and Sharon will check with him for more information. The full discussion of this will be a part of the LEC meeting on Sept. 21.

Outreach: The booth at the Lee Fair was discussed briefly, and Revision will bring their solar phone charger, Cox's will revitalize their bike-grain grinder an muffin equipment, and LEC will have a display, with a game for kids (created by Jana.) All members and volunteers will help man the booth an exhibits. Also, outreach needs and possible projects were briefly discussed and will be on the agenda at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.