

Rye Energy Committee Meeting Notes

Tuesday, May 14, 2019
12:00-1:30 PM, Rye Public Library
Fireplace meeting area

Attending: Danna Truslow, Howard Kalet, Michael Joyce, Tom Pfau, Carl Nicolino,

The April meeting minutes were approved.

Danna reported on the Right to Know meeting offered by town attorney Michael Donovan. She learned that minutes are required for all meetings that have a quorum attending and that the minutes should be posted within 5 business days of the meeting date. Meeting agendas need to be posted within 24 hours of meeting date. Any off-site meetings with 3 or more members attending need to be posted in advance and minuted.

Making major decisions by email is discouraged although it's OK to do so for meeting agendas and minutes. Any major decisions must be decided by roll call vote. Any conflict of interest claims must be raised in a timely manner.

Danna reported on the Rye Water District meeting she and Tom attended on May 8. The water board was receptive to the idea of solar panels being installed near the Garland Rd pumping station. Superintendent Arik Jones offered to do a site walk of the property with Energy Committee members.

Danna discussed her review of the REC activities that she would use as an introduction to Howard and Tom presenting to the Board of Selectman meeting on May 28. Howard discussed his presentation of the REC municipal solar study. Tom discussed his presentation of the lighting audit. Tom will update the carbon emissions for the report to 2018 values and to write up his summary of the lighting reports. These documents need to be forwarded by next week to the BOS.

The next meeting will be held at the Library on Tuesday, June 4 at 6:30 PM. There will be no July meeting. There will be meetings on August 6 and September 10 at 6:30.