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STOUGHTON ENERGY AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 18, 2023

The Committee held a meeting at Town Hall on January 18, 2023 commencing at 7:00 pm. The meeting was recorded by SMAC. In attendance were Nathan Cleveland, Chair, David Billo, Vice-Chair, and members Arthur Rigor da Eva, Tamisha Civil, and Molly Cochran. Also in attendance was Mark Zamanian.

The January 4th, 2023 minutes were approved as amended.

Nathan reported that Pam McCarthy seems amenable based on email correspondence to support the Technical Assistance Program (TAP) grant application previously discussed.

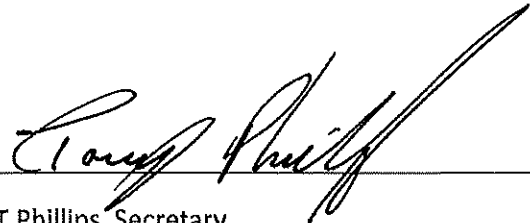
The Committee went over each section of the grant application on screen and worked on filling out the application. Dave is going to further work on finalizing the application to be presented to the Town for signature and submission.

Molly reported on the Library educational event scheduled for April 15th. She is still trying to locate a speaker from academia. As for Tem Blessed, another proposed speaker, Molly emailed him (from the website address) but did not get a response. Suggestions for speakers were offered.

Mark then engaged in discussion with the Committee concerning the Page St. facility. He indicated that the Stoughton Redevelopment Authority (of which Mark is a member) owns the transfer station but it is operated by Winn Waste. Employees of Winn Waste are overseeing operation of the facility. It was agreed that the facility is underutilized. Mark noted, for example, that leaves are composted there but the Town does not get the compost back. He noted that the Stoughton Community Preservation Committee is working on this issue and working to create a community garden. Nathan noted that there's a financial opportunity there for the Town if it could contract directly with manufacturers who could take recycled materials. Mark will gather more information and get back to the Committee regarding the facility.

It was noted that there is a Green Communities grant application deadline approaching and that the Town has received \$800,000 in Green Communities grant funding since 2016.

The Committee adjourned at 8:45. The next meeting is scheduled for February 1, 2023 in the Yaitanes Room.



T. Phillips, Secretary

3.20.23
Date

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