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CHAIRMAN



MEETING MINUTES

December 3, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

The following members were present: Mike Blum, Don Bleasdale, Flo Brodley, and Chris Zaberto.

Jane Harsha, Frank Maricic, Stacie Vourakis, Rick Warren and Marialisa Zywochenko were absent.

Minutes – The minutes of the November 5, 2015 meeting were not approved as there wasn't a quorum of those present at that meeting in attendance this evening.

OLD BUSINESS

Solarize Somers Update – Best Energy Power hosted an evening at The Pinnacle last night. Three representatives from Heritage Hills were present, Bill Harden, John Milligen and Bruce Prince. They are interested in putting solar panels on the Activities Center and possibly the Fitness Center. Arrangements will be made for Best Energy to meet with all the presidents of the condo associations. Best Plumbing has a proposal to install solar. After the holidays Mr. Blum will make arrangements to meet with Urstadt Biddle employee Anthony Shebani, developer Jim Boniello and the new owner of Pepsi.

There have been between 80 and 100 inquiries bi-weekly for residential solar. Nine contracts have been signed and one is pending.

The next Solarize information session will take place on the 16th of December in the Library from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Complete Streets Update – In July, Woodard and Curran's Joe Barbagallo applied for

a \$1.5 million grant through NY Environmental Facilities Corporation's Green Innovation Grant Program and the Empire State Development's Regional Council Capital Fund entitled "Somers Green Sidewalks and Living Classroom Project". The grants will be awarded this month. The funds would provide sidewalks from the Somers Intermediate School to the Towne Centre at Somers. If the Town does in fact get this grant, Mr. Zaberto will make the folks at Barton and Loguidice aware of it.

Micro-Grid Update – The Booz Allen representatives were in Town on November 17 for additional information verification. Mr. Blum met with them. They unfortunately are still waiting on information from NYSEG, which has proven to be a most difficult task.

Land Use Law Center – Mr. Blum will be representing the Town at the Land Use Law Center on December 18.

NEW BUSINESS

Community Choice Aggregate Program – Tonight, Mike Gordon, Leo Wiegman and Glen Weinberg will be presenting the Town Board the Community Choice Aggregate Program.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m. The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, January 7 at 5:30 p.m. in the kitchen at the Somers Town House.

Respectfully submitted,



Denise Schirmer, Secretary
Somers Energy Environment Committee

cc: Energy Environment Committee
Town Board
Town Clerk