

## **SUNDERLAND ENERGY COMMITTEE MINUTES 12/18/25.**

Energy Committee called to order at 7:07PM ZOOM meeting

PRESENT - Jeff Dexter, chairperson, Andrew McKeever, Scott York, Colleen York, Lisa Maggio, Dixie Zens

Scott York offered to take minutes. Jeff Dexter motioned to accept last months minutes, Dixie Zens seconded, all agreed, minutes accepted.

### **COMMITTEE SLOT OPENING:**

Colleen noted she asked one member of the Sunderland Shines committee but person declined. Jeff said he would ask people and encouraged members to ask people they know. Colleen suggested putting it on Front Porch Forum and offered to do that after the holidays. We'll also contact some of the Sunderland Shines volunteers.

### **UPDATE MERP GRANT TOWN GARAGE AND TOWN HALL:**

-Discussion on Town Garage insulation. Dixie reviewed what he found and pictures were sent to members. Ice was found.

-Solid foam insulation discussed and putting insulation from outside. Pros and cons discussed.

- The two overhead doors are in very good condition, replaced in 2024 and 2025...though some air sealing and trim work is needed to fully seal them up.

-Heat pumps discussed in terms of placement and air movement.

-Kelly from Centerline will develop a plan with estimates

-Jeff found a "handyman" who can do the lights, doors and weather stripping work.

-Jeff is waiting for Todd Lawrence from Select Board to report on estimates for town garage columns.

-Jeff reported that \$7200 of the MERP Grant has been paid to Centerline.

### **MERP mini grant website:**

Lisa will check with Todd Lawrence regarding town policy.

### **BENNINGTON BANNER/MANCHESTER JOURNAL "ENERGY COLUMN":**

It would be 600-800 words and a rotation of different local energy committees. It would rotate on a monthly basis.

### **MUNICIPAL PLAN UPDATE:**

No information to report, have not heard if the Planning Board needs any more help from us.

### **NEW/OTHER BUSINESS:**

Arlington Energy Committee will present a program on Heat Pump Cleaning and Maintenance on January 7 at 6:30 PM in person and ZOOM

Andrew and Jeff discussed updates on Sunderland Shines committees.

### **NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2026 at 7 PM ZOOM.**

### **MEETING ADJOURNED 8:09 PM**