

Marshfield Energy and Climate Change Committee
Notes of February 6, 2012 Meeting

- 1) Attending: Nick Seifert, Bob Atchinson, Lawrence Black, Laurie Stratton, John Morris, Anne Miller
- 2) Convene: 7:05 PM, Adjourn: 8:55 PM
- 3) Business:
 - a) Introduced Laurie Stratton, a potential new member of the Plainfield Energy Group
 - b) Rich will forward information on the new round of DIY weatherization training sessions in March and April and John will send it out to the Energy Matters e-mail list.
 - c) Discussed the possibility of developing a town-wide e-mail list and phone list so we can quickly get notices, suggestions and other information on energy out to residents. John and Nick agreed to further define the proposal including how it would be used and develop options for creating the lists.
 - d) Discussed the possibility of an incentive to increase bus ridership as was allowed for under the VECAN grant. Bus ridership continues to increase making an incentive less necessary but Bob Atchinson will look into incentive possibilities with Ross MacDonald at AOT. Lawrence wants any gift or other incentive to be bus-related not some other energy-related gift.
 - e) We will seek a "Bus Stop" sign from GMTA to clarify where the bus will stop for passengers at OSC
 - f) Members need to ensure they have responded to Bobbi's request to indicate desire for reappointment.
 - g) Discussed what we want to accomplish at town meeting (information, meters, surveys etc.). John, Anne and Rich will meet to decide and prepare this material. First meeting 2/13/12.
 - h) The Village lights appear to be a go and should be up at least by this summer.
 - i) The Twinfield project is proceeding on many fronts:
 - 1) Conservation Guides are nearly complete and will be signed off by the principal and the School Board. These guides address shutting off lights (inside and outside), computers, bus heaters when not in use or needed. They promote student involvement in monitoring
 - 2) Students have been trained for the Home Energy Visit program. We are trying to get students to have their parents sign up, but only two have so far. We are trying to figure out how to increase the numbers.
 - 3) On February 20, 2012 experts and students will gather at the school to try to identify the cause of an extremely high power use during the off hours of the school (nights and weekends). There is a 35 to 45 kW power use in the middle of the night.