

South Hadley Fire District No. 2
Elmer Brook Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Wednesday, November 1, 2018

Meeting Time Start: 5:00 pm

-Attendance:

Jim Menard, Frank DeToma, & Bill Selkirk

-Others present:

Mary Beth O'Meara

The meeting was called to order by Jim Menard @ 5:05pm.

F. DeToma moved to approve the minutes of the October 16th and 24th meetings. B. Selkirk seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.

J. Menard noted that he had reached out to Sean Bard for the name of a contact person at National Grid. No response to date.

F. DeToma reported that the letter to Rep. John Scibak has been emailed to his office. B. Selkirk will follow up with a call to John.

Sub-committee members discussed the need for an informational meeting for District members, to inform District members, and then the need for a special District meeting, in order to ask for approval to go forward with the proposed solar field project on the District's property.

Sub-committee members agreed that we have to prepare an informational letter for District members, and include it in the next mailing of the District's water bills. Those bills will go out on about November 1st. We also agreed that an informational letter should go directly to those residents on Amherst Road who homes front our property there.

F. DeToma agreed to draft the informational letter.

Sub-committee members discussed the need to have someone at the informational meeting who is knowledgeable about solar installations. It was suggested that Paul Breen, head of Buildings and Grounds at Mount Holyoke, might be able to provide a name. It was also suggested that Mike Sullivan might know of someone. F. DeToma agreed to pursue these possibilities.

The sub-committee set tentative dates for the informational meeting – Wednesday, January 16th – and the special district meeting – Wednesday, February 20th.

The next sub-committee meeting date was set for Wednesday, December 12th at 5:00 PM. The main agenda item for that meeting will be preparation for the January 16th informational meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

F. DeToma

November 6, 2018