

**Joint Thetford Energy Committee Meeting AGENDA
January 4, 2024, 6:00 to 7:30 PM**

Town Hall

For Remote Attendees:

Online: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81541146245>

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Call to order: 6:00 pm

IN attendance: Nolan, Erica, Alice, Weston, David, Tom, Chris H., community members, Brian, Troy McBride, Francine Moody-A'ness, Jeff Jamele

6:00 Updates – Process with Selectboard, IREC

Look through “shalls” and “shoulds” that vis a vis energy in town plan. After Jan 8 mtg. Attend the mtg. and provide feedback form the EC.

6:05 Window Dressers – Erica spoke with Linda Gray – open to the idea of us signing on – we just need one person to do some outreach – sign ups, volunteers, measurers – send it all to them – early October build, begin advertising in March and measure in May. **Weston to do advertising – Chris to measure – Nolan to reach out to Bob re: lists.**

6:15 TES Solar CPG – What it contains and the process going forward if we agree to continue (With Troy McBride, Norwich Solar)

The Committee and several community participants had a lengthy conversation with Troy McBride, of Norwich Solar – a summary follows:

Discount percentage for the array 5-10% discount. More if we are able to get a higher tax credit. IRS requires 50% LMI. Current LOI asks if applicant is on energy assistance. Discussed the sign up deadline of April 15, 2024.

NS has farmer off takers if we aren't able to fill the array. We estimate 35-40 LMI off takers would be needed to meet the 50% threshold. We discussed a variety of organizations to do outreach; discussed advertising in conjunction with the report. **Bob will do initial outreach with community organizations. Nolan will reach out to town, and the school. Erica will send messages to other IREC towns to help spread the word.**

7:05 Annual Report – Committee looked over the Draft Committee Annual Report, made some amendments, and approved it.

7:25 Approve November and December Minutes

Minutes Available Here: [Thetford Meeting Minutes | Thetford, VT \(thetfordvt.gov\)](#)

Adjourn 7:30 pm

Future Meeting Topics

Next Meeting February 15, 2024