

**Energy Futures Task Force 2/16/12 – recorded by Elise Woodward, Clerk  
Minutes Approved: March 9, 2017**

**Attending:** Pam Hill, Chair, John Dalton, Dan Gainsboro Wally Johnston, Elise Woodward  
Citizens: Laura Scott, CMLP Liaison, Sue Richardson, Boozha Cookman

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:40 am.

Meeting minutes from past meetings are not available.

Correspondence received re: Middlebury's net zero status with centralized campus system.

Correspondence received re: 2016 Warrant article re: net zero status for Concord.

**Chair's Report**

The next meeting will be held at 7:30 AM on 2/27. The meeting on 2/21 has been canceled. The EFTF has elected to hold an information session for the public on March 29 in the Hearing Room of the Townhouse at 7:00 PM.

The 2017 warrant article will be discussed at the Fin Com hearing on 2/27. Linda Miller, Chair of Fin Com, will be contacted.

**Draft Report**

Discussion followed about the report and incorporating public comments:

Schools draft for discussion identifies key recommendations and specific information on fuels and transportation including the electric bus. Benefits for education include "learning by doing".

Personal responsibility section focuses on intergenerational responsibility, i.e. present cost and future value. A question was noted about GHG emissions for artificial turf.

Wally left the meeting at 8:30.

Discussion continued regarding CMLP accomplishments. It was decided that "green washing" would be removed from the report.

Other Sectors needs more content—make the case for effective ways to take action, share cost and responsibility

Net Zero: Dan and Elise have been conferring. The construction definition seems too limited.

A system that produces as much energy as it consumes is net zero. A suggestion was made to review Stockholm, Copenhagen and other international accomplishments. Specific note of Middlesex Green and Virginia Road areas in Concord.

Zoning: example of Chilmark's limit of 3500 SF houses without a special permit, zoning reform in MA and Smartgrowth principles.

Building Code: is a state document. Concord has no purview to amend it.

MA DEP Clean Energy Requirements will be included in the report.

The EFTF has requested duration of PPA contracts from Dave Wood to analyze whether the goal of 2030 is achievable.

**Public Comment:**

Laura Scott noted that there was a suggestion from the public that CMLP align with the IOU's.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 am.