

Lenox Environmental Committee

Minutes of meeting: December 10, 2018, submitted by Susan May

Present: Caroline Butler, Suky Werman, Harriet Wetstone, Mark Pignatelli, Susan May

Others: Joel Lindsay from Solar Flair, Phil Considine, Ken Fowler

Phil Considine brought up the issue of the Lenox Transfer Station charging \$20 per month for recycling. Prices aren't out yet for 2019 curbside pickup. CB has spoken to LTS and will follow up. She suggested a pay-as-you-go option. KF said the Selectmen are also concerned.

There isn't a quorum to approve meeting minutes from September, 2018. SM made a motion to approve minutes from the October 1, 2018 meeting. HR seconded the motion and minutes were approved unanimously.

Joel Lindsay from Solar Flair spoke about the Solarize program they are currently doing in Springfield and Longmeadow. A change since Lenox originally did the program is that the state's SMART program has replaced SRECS with checks based on how much energy is generated. Solar Flair offers a bulk rate for solar purchasers and provides a marketing budget. There is also a solar hot water option. CB will reach out to Stockbridge and Lee to see if they are interested in participating.

The newsletter will be on the agenda at the next LEC meeting.

CB met with a Lenox resident, Susan W, who is interested in joining the LEC but couldn't make it to tonight's meeting. HW made a motion for Susan W to become a member of LEC, with SW seconding. The vote was approved with 5 yeas and one person abstaining.