

**Minutes for Montague Energy Committee Meeting  
October 14, 2014 meeting  
Montage Town Hall  
6:15 to 8:15**

**Present:** Sally Pick, Pam Hanold, Chris Mason, Tim Van Egmond, Jeff Singleton, Jason Burbank, Rich Adams

**Minutes of 29 September 2014 were approved.**

**Proposed Natural Gas Pipeline**

The reply letter to Ann Berwick was discussed and approved for distribution subject to the following motion:

(Motion passed unanimously) --" that the gang of three (Chris, Sally and Pam) revise the letter and send it out to the committee for comments. If comments are favorable or non-existent within 48 hours, that the letter be considered a final draft and sent."

Issues discussed include:

- a) needing to get clarity as to what "reliability" means; and
- b) wanting the DPU to rigorously apply all considerations in meeting the state's legislated mandate to move away from fossil fuel use, and making clear how DPU has looked at and how they connect all the applicable considerations.

**FRTA report:**

FRTA did respond to the letter from the Selectboard, welcoming a discussion with Montague representatives to discuss the routes proposed.

**Sheffield-Hillcrest Schools**

Chris connected Joanne Blier with Walter, and she has gotten the needed data to Walter for adding the schools to the Green Communities baseline. Chris will continue to monitor progress, connecting the school and town's efforts.

**Pumpkin Fest booth:**

Tim has sign-up list, from 1pm to 7ish, this Sat. Site is now #21, at corner of Ave. A and 5th St. Rich will bring two chairs, Sally two tables and literature.

**FRCOG Mass CEC report** -- expect to release something tomorrow.

**Next meeting is 28 October, 6:15 pm.**