

**Energy Futures Task Force 4/14/17 – recorded by Elise Woodward, Clerk  
Minutes Approved: 4/25/17**

**Attending:** Pam Hill, Chair, John Dalton, Wally Johnston, Brian Foulds, Dan Gainsboro, Elise Woodward  
Citizens: Bouzha Cookman, Sue Richardson

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05 am.

Meeting minutes of March 27 were approved as noted.

Correspondence: The predominance of email correspondence has favored the EFTF recommendations but a recent email stated opposition to the recommendations.

**Chair's Report**

The Chair noted that the Light Board recommended affirmative action on Article 51 and the Finance Committee recommended affirmative action as well. The coordination meeting with the moderator has been held. No formal notice has been received regarding the length of the presentation for Article 51 at Town Meeting but the Chair is estimating 4-5 minutes. This will be confirmed with the Select Board.

There was a brief discussion of comments made at the Fin Com meeting concerning the Director position providing "sustainability" a seat at the table along with financial and energy.

Further conversation ensued about the likely statement to be made by the Light Board and the presentation sequence:

Select Board 2 minutes

EFTF 4-5 minutes

Light Board 2-4 minutes

Finance Committee 2 minutes

Mothers Out Front 2 minutes

CSEC 2 minutes

**FAQ Handout**

The advisability of preparing a handout with FAQ's was discussed and the task force determined that such a handout is not necessary and may diminish the integrity of the report. The EFTF is not tasked with "advocacy". If the Light Board authors a handout on rate increases, the EFTF would like to have the opportunity to review it in advance of Town Meeting.

It was noted that there are typos in the final report and a Table of Contents for the Appendix would be helpful. After discussion, the EFTF decided to take no action on making corrections to the final report. However, the Chair will work with Andrew Mara to "clean up" the website by eliminating outdated drafts.

**Public Comment**

Bouzha reiterated the importance to "say why the recommendations are being made" and to set a context—electricity rates are not the primary focus. Sue Richardson reiterated the strategic question of addressing the uncertainty of rate projections.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 AM.