

Ferrisburgh Conservation Commission
Meeting March 10, 2015
No Quorum

In attendance for the FCC: Dennis Armell, Amy Dohner,
Karen Pettersen
Bob McNary, guest, Chair- Energy Committee

The following was discussed

A. Housing Vermont Solar Farm

1. Bob McNary discussed the Housing Vermont Solar Farm project located on the west side of Route 7, north of the railroad tracks. The project is being developed by Encore. Encore is proposing access off Route 7 just north of the railroad crossing. Bob looked at a possible alternative access thru DR, however, there is a 30 foot gully (deep or wide?). Encore will be making a submission to the State in April. Dennis said the panels should be screened from Route 7. Karen wants to draw some sight lines from possible Route 7 view points to see how well the proposed planting will screen the panels. Karen will contact Encore to obtain the site plans and the height of the panels. Bob would like copies of any studies we create.

B. Jens Hilke presentation

1. Discussed asking Jens for a townwide presentation in the fall.

C. Workshops

1. Biofinder instruction in April
2. Jim Andrews power point presentation on reptiles and amphibians in May
3. Bat update?

D. Town Forest

1. We should check up on any 4 wheeler activity.
2. There was a NY Times article on how people using trails disturb wildlife.

The next scheduled meeting is April 14, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Pettersen, Secretary