CAST Minutes Feb 10, 2022

In Attendance: John Reid, Lee Michaelides, Laura Simon, Carolyn Hooper Goetinck, Molly Smith, Ashton Todd, Dana Clawson; Staff

**Minutes of Jan 2 amended.** The correct spelling is Dillion rule. Laura asked to amend the minutes to better reflect CAST’s desire to be active with the implementation of the CAP as it relates to carbon storage and sequestration in the town forest.

**Distribution of Reserve Fund Monies:** Dana can charge expenses to his purchase card and will submit paperwork to the town. Purchases will follow the procurement policy with increasing amounts requiring an increase in authorization. CAST doesn’t need Select Board authorization from anyone to spend money unless the purchase is more than $20,001.

400 copies of the EV booklet can be printed for about $1,100. Question came up with how funds might be allocated if we partner on some project. Sentiment is to handle on a case by case basis. CAST membership would vote on how to allocate.

**Website:** Send Dana ideas about what should be on the website. Dana will send a note with deadline to submit ideas.

**RECs:** Dana recapped the administration of REC credits. There are positives and negatives when it comes to keeping or selling the RECs. John suggested that CAST might create outreach materials for homeowners regarding RECs.

Laura’s question asking what assistance we need from students. Idea for website will be tabled until we have a better idea of the work we need. Outreach for high school students to get involved with window dressing. Will try to recruit high school students to come to drive electric event. Molly suggested starting an internship. Laura will investigate a prize to lure high schoolers to the event.

**Procurement:** Dana outlined a policy that includes his office’s input for climate friendly alternatives of purchases greater than $4,001.

**Selectboard Report:** Dana says to keep it simple and no more than 4 pages in length. Draft will be on Google docs on Monday, Feb 14. Board will take up the report on February 22. Meeting starts at 6. Dana thinks he’ll present around 6:30.

**Proposed solar project off Christian Street:** Open question about much carbon is offset by the solar versus the loss carbon mitigation of trees.

**Next Meeting:** Will schedule a post select board meeting the week of Feb 28. Dana will send out a poll. Key element of the meeting will be mapping a schedule to get out to August.