

TOWN OF PITTSFIELD
Community Development Committee
Town Office 85 Main Street
Pittsfield, NH 03263
January 22, 2020

1. Meeting began at 6:45.
2. Attendees: Louie Houle (LH), Dale Frizell (DF), and Ellen Barbasso (EB).
3. Minutes for January 8, 2019 approved and accepted as written.

4. First Impressions

There is a grant for Branding and Marketing that we can apply for. Jared Reynolds suggested to Louie Houle that it might be a good idea to get a temporary town planner (like the one at Franklin. The planner had gotten grants for the town that would pay for his position). If we did something like that it could help our town as well.

If we were able to get more use out of buildings, it might draw more people to the town. (ie. Have an Open Mike night or a movie night at the Scenic Theater.

5. Grants

Facade Grant - Most recipients of the grant met at Town Hall. They need to spend \$10,001 and then will receive \$5,000. Epping Well wants to get new windows and doors. Ping Garden will work on their windows.

NHCDFA - (New Hampshire Community Development Fund Authority)

The state of New Hampshire has tax relief areas. The governor picks 8 areas in the state to be designated a Tax Relief Area. A business would get a tax break if it invests in the town.

Claremont and Franklin are currently a tax relief areas. We would need to find out how Pittsfield could be a part of that.

6. Solar Farm

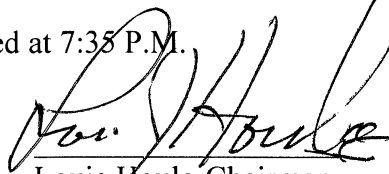
When the Solar Farm is installed and active, the town will be able to get electrical power at a lower rate. Eversource will still be the distributor and we will have to pay their distribution rates.

Community Solar Farms: The electricity rate would be lower than other sources. They would put new digital meters on houses so it can track usage and peak times. They would also need to get battery packs for back up power.

7. Next meeting will be February 12, 2020, at 6:30pm.

8. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Submitted by


Louie Houle-Chairman

Minutes taken by: Ellen Barbasso, Secretary