**FRANCONIA ENERGY COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

**April 28, 2020; 4:30 pm via zoom**

In attendance: Karen F, Eric M, Chuck L, Fitz, Dave S, Kim C, Chip S, Bob T

Visitors: Dawn Steele, Peter Grote

Bob presented a revised sketch of the building. We asked Bob to pass along our thanks to Kathe T for actually doing the sketch, which includes the following: a shed roof to accommodate the solar panels, a standing seam black metal roof, “smart side” siding that will fit the building aesthetically with the Town Hall and Library, a tile drain to catch water run-off. Snow fall from the roof will be plowed toward the rocks.

In order to cost out the project, Kim needs decisions regarding: cost of solar panels (a good estimate is $0.03 per watt), roof dimensions for the panels (58’ and 28’ plus 2’). Chip offered to redraw the plan to scale. In addition, costs are needed for the EV charging station, bike repair station, and the air source heat pump.

During the week Kim will run the plan by the North Country Council and Taylor Caswell for insights into improving the application. Fitz will join in.

The old buildings will need to be demolished and, since they are both pre 1978 structures, they will have to be checked for lead and asbestos. Chip has a lead test kit and will do that with Kim. We can use the Evergreen apartment demolition as a guide.

By next week, we should have real numbers for the building costs, solar installation, and demolition.

Next meeting: May 5 at 4:30 via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Foss