

Town of Enfield
Renewable Energy Advisory Committee
March 20, 2018 Meeting Summary

In Attendance: Mike Carpenter, Marcus Gingerich, Art Godin, Jude Lemke, Mimi Mehaffey, Dan Walker
Not Present: Walt Smithers

With our draft of Enfield's solar law essentially completed pending NYSERDA's input, this evening's discussion was less structured than at previous meetings.

Mimi shared with us her effort to bring to Enfield the NYSERDA representative who seemed most open-minded and receptive of those she had met during a recent trip to Albany, in favor of another less helpful representative. Houtan Moaveni and Candace Rossi subsequently met with members of the REA Committee on 3/29.

At our 3/20 meeting we discussed the differences between community solar projects and industrial solar projects. The later 3/29 discussion with NYSERDA included strategies and arrangements for taking best advantage of tax credits and NYSERDA incentives for solar installations.

We reviewed sections of Enfield's Comprehensive Plan that identified goals related to our draft solar law and inserted language into the draft law referencing these goals. Dan showed us a map of prime agricultural soils that appears to remove any ambiguity regarding agricultural land warranting protection from solar development.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tues, 4/10, 7-9 PM at the Enfield Community Building. At this meeting we hope to determine what components of NYSERDA's recently updated Model Solar Energy Local Law we should incorporate into our own draft law.

-Summary submitted by Art Godin.