

Minutes of the Meeting of the Heath Finance Committee
July 16, 2013

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Senior Center, Community Hall

Present: Gloria Fisher, Don Freeman, Ned Wolf, Kathy Inman, and at 7:30 Kara Leistyna,
Sheila Litchfield, Brian DeVriese, Bill Lattrell, and Dave Thomas of Seaboard Solar

Absent: Jeff Simmons

Copies of the following documents were made available:

- Minutes of the July 2nd meeting (Ned)
- Agenda of the July 16 meeting (Don)
- HEATH STIPENDS FY 2014/NO STIPENDS (Gloria)

The minutes of the July 2 meeting were read. Gloria made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Members discussed data on the amounts of stipends and on who receives them. There was a consensus to ask people at the FRCOG what they do about stipends. Do any Massachusetts General Laws apply?

At 7:25 pm the committee suspended its meeting to join the Selectboard meeting in progress on the second floor of Sawyer Hall. Members listened to Dave Thomas of Seaboard Solar in Danbury, CT explain the details of a town's becoming a host for a solar project to generate electricity. The site of the project would not necessarily be in Heath. According to Kopelman and Paige, when a town signs on to become a host, there is little or no liability. Members asked questions. Heath could not agree to be a host without there having been at least a special town meeting. More meetings would likely be needed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ned Wolf, Secretary