

Selectman's Report

National Grid Meeting- 21 February 2006

Participants:

National Grid

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Meeting Conclusions

National Grid Recognizes Pelham's Frequency of Outages and has plans in progress to address issues

Falling tree disruptions cannot be anticipated or controlled

Current Service Status

3 feeder boxes exist on Rte 38 at Power Lines
Green service at Mammoth, Burns and Bush Hill has high degree of outages
Red service currently travels Rte 38 area into Salem
Blue Service covers balance of town
Some "Pole Top Reclosers" already installed to improve service.

Improvement Planning

On 1 June Make Pelham feed independent (Truncate at Salem line)
Use Salem feed as back-up to current power source
Starting immediately, start installing additional "Pole Top Reclosers" at strategic locations
New "Pole Top Reclosers" will have telephonics technology (telemetry) tied in to Distribution Center in Westboro for automatic monitoring/reactivation
Improved "Pole Top Reclosers" should reduce service time by allowing automated reactivation of "Pole Top Reclosers" not directly effected by outage
Red Service tree trimming will take place this summer
Tree Arborist to review entire town to ascertain which trees may have to be felled
Burns Road trees (pines) are perceived as problematic and are currently being reviewed.

Communications

Three Phone numbers provided:

1. General for reporting outages 1-800-322-3223
Recommend all residents report outages
Phone number identification locates outage point
National Grid requested to update message to reflect acknowledgement of location
2. Emergency Number for Fire, Police, Electrical Inspector
Electrical Inspector to coordinate reporting scheme
3. Municipal Emergency Control Room

Available voice contacts for snow storms, Hurricanes, broad range electrical issues