## **Enfield Energy Committee April 28, 2020 Via ZOOM**

Meeting called to order 6:02pm

Enfield Energy Committee members attending: Jo Ellen Courtney (chair), Kim Quirk,

Marta Ceroni, Wendell Smith, Charlie Clark

Absent: Kurt Gotthard

Canaan committee members attending: Chuck Townsend, Andy Van Abs

Guest: Henry Herndon, Clean Energy NH

Rules for On-line meetings were read.

## Approval of last meeting minutes.

Motion to approve the minutes with that addition. Approved by Roll call vote:

**Article 22, Purchase Power Agreement** for Town Meeting which is postponed until Town Meeting can be held due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Charlie Clark is prepared to present background and info for the discussion of the PPA, Article 22.

**Article 23, Carbon Cash Back** Marta recommends that the energy committee's support of this article on a carbon fee and tax program be stated this way:

"The Energy Committee strongly supports ways to reduce climate pollution. While we did not study the specifics of this carbon pricing approach, we know that it has been adopted in 46 countries, it has strong support from top US economists and from a bipartisan group of representatives at the State and Federal level. This is one of many different approaches that we will need to address this serious problem."

Roll Call vote on the wording of the energy committee support: (unanimous support) Charlie cautioned that we be prepared to answer more questions.

**Solarize II program**: Wendell reported that there isn't enough support right now for our second Solarize program, so that is being put on hold.

**Streetlight program:** Charlie Clark reported that the Chief of Police reviewed the street lights that we voted to remove at last year's Town Meeting. So far none of them have been removed. Kurt will give us an update next time he comes to the energy committee meeting.

**Guest speaker**: Henry Herndon - Provided an overview of the **Energy Action Toolkit** and provided a brief training on the **Community Power Program**.

<u>www.nhenergy.org</u>, under "LES Projects", click on "For Local Energy Committees". Lots of good information for energy committees on organization of assets and projects as well as setting goals...looking back on what you have, creating plans for the future.

It was suggested that we start documenting our work with the spreadsheets and info available at this website. It would be great if all the energy committee members spend a little time at the above website and read through some of these documents to get ideas and help document what we've already done over the years. Enfield has contributed funds to Clean Energy NH and these tools are some of the things we get for that support.

Wendell asks if it might help for us to see how other committees have used the spreadsheets. Henry will look into that to see if there is another committee's work that he can share with us.

Community Power Program presentation. See the slides available at this website: <a href="https://www.nhenergy.org/community-power-in-nh.html">https://www.nhenergy.org/community-power-in-nh.html</a>
It is still early in the formation of CPNH (community power NH). There may be ways for us to get involved.

[Meeting adjourned time 7:15 pm

Minutes submitted by: Kim Quirk



