

Energy Committee Meeting Minutes

April 26, 2022

Attendance in person: Gary Hutchens, Charlie Clark (voting member today), Jo-Ellen Courtney, Kim Quirk, Marta Ceroni. On zoom: Wendell Smith

Call to order: 6:03pm

Gary motioned to approve the minutes from last month; Charlie seconded

Motion passed, unanimously

Town meeting – Warrant article, 15, for Enfield Community Power

The group thinks 150-160 flyers (80 pages) about the Plan should be enough for Town Meeting.

Action: Marta will get printing done for Thursday to have them on Saturday. She will have them at the registration table and find out if it is ok to hand them out.

Our article comes up after the two major building projects, but before the SB2 and the question about increasing the selectboard to 5 members.

8:45 recommended time to get to Town Meeting

Net-Zero Building Statement

Gary's listserv about Net-Zero got some good responses and a few negative ones. Does he want to make a distinction between Net-Zero and Net-Zero Ready? Probably a little too technical for most residents.

Gary made a motion that the Energy Committee recommend Net-Zero energy building standards for the Public Safety Building and any future new municipal building construction in Enfield. Seconded by Charlie.

This passed unanimously.

At Town Meeting Gary can state this recommendation when he speaks about the new fire-safety building article; and he should make it clear that other statements he makes are his personal comments.

DPW Data updates

April is the first month since September that the solar production is getting back to meeting, possibly exceeding the building usage.

Charlie is now working with Liberty to understand the actual billing and total costs/savings.

Charlie is willing to continue working on the other building electric usage numbers for the other municipal buildings even though his term is up on Sunday. Thank you, Charlie!

Idling

Jo-Ellen is interested in pursuing some No Idling signs for various locations in Enfield.

Meeting adjourned: 7:07