

## **Enfield Energy Committee**

### **Meeting Minutes July 26, 2022**

**Attendance:** Marta Ceroni, Gary Hutchins, Kim Quirk, Jo-Ellen Courtney, Chair

**Absent:** Wendell Smith   **Guest (online):** Charlie Clark

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

Meeting Minutes from June 28 approved unanimously

### **Community Power**

Community Power Coalition of NH will hold Board meeting on Thursday July 28 at the Derryfield School in Manchester. All meetings are open to the public. Online access is available through Microsoft TEAMS . Link to meetings available at

<https://www.cpcnh.org/calendar>

The CPCNH Board meeting will review retail services and banking services. Energy portfolio management and energy procurement services will be reviewed at an upcoming meeting.

NH Public Utilities Commission will meet on July 27 to finalize the rules for Community Power Aggregation. Any final changes to the rules will need to be reflected in our Energy Aggregation Plan. Our updated Joint Powers Agreement and EAP needs to be approved by the Selectboard. Henry Herdon consultant to CPCNH is willing to attend our Selectboard meeting to explain these changes. We anticipate the August 15 Selectboard meeting to seek approval.

### **Solar Array**

To facilitate access to the data from the DPW solar array, we will ask Phil Vermeer if we can be a new user on the software. We may want to consider "ENGCOMM" as the user to allow access by the Energy Committee.

Marta will research the NH RSA associated with property tax waiver for solar arrays. This will require a warrant article approval at Town Meeting in 2023.

### **Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee**

Kim reported on the committee which meets every other Tuesday at 3:30 at the DPW building. Meetings are open to the public. Participation is encouraged. The

Committee sent out a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to 20 design builders to submit information about their best work. After reviewing the five responses, a Request for Proposal (RFP) is being sent to three companies with parameters of building requirements and budget limits. Specific goals for the project were included including getting close to 'net zero' as possible.

### **Window Dressers**

Response from the Executive Director of Window Dressers was it is too late to plan for 2022. She suggested we plan for 2023. It is recommended that any volunteers interested in organizing a *Community Build* participate in a scheduled event. There are upcoming events in Burlington and Enosburg VT as well as Keene NH. Jo-Ellen will provide information to members about upcoming events.

### **Green Energy Times**

Jo-Ellen has contacted the area coordinator about getting quantity available to distribute to our general geographic area. Gary will assist with distribution once the arrangements are made.

### **Climate Change Leadership**

Vital Communities is resuming its Climate Change Leadership Program. Jo-Ellen will post on our town listserv.

Vermont Law School published an EV Guide. Although it focuses on Vermont the information, graphics, list of abbreviations are universal.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM by unanimous vote.