

July 6, 2023

Energy Committee July 6, 2023, Meeting Minutes

Barrington, N.H. Town Hall

In attendance: Paul Panish, Dan Federico, Doug Bogen, Leah Harrington, Rob Gibson, Cynthia Hoisington, Matt Towne, Neil Schonwald, Katrin Kasper

Absent: Alyssa Papineau, Jack Bingham

Meeting Start time: 7:00 o'clock p.m.

1. Paul Panish called the meeting to order.
2. Introductions were made with guests and alternates
 - a. Katrin Kasper – Seacoast Energy Circuit Rider, Clean Energy NH (Guest)
 - b. Cynthia Hoisington, Alternate
 - c. Matt Towne (Alternate, EAP)
 - d. Neil Schonwald (EAP)
3. The group approved the meeting minutes for 6/15/23.
4. The group agreed that the next meeting date would be August 17 and that the August 3 meeting will be cancelled.
5. Katrin discussed her role as Seacoast Energy Circuit Rider for Clean Energy NH.
 - a. They operate in 50 cities/towns relating to Policy and Municipalities, focusing on:
 - i. Community power
 - ii. Solar PV installations
 - iii. Electric vehicle charging, Level 2 and 3 (ie for stores, libraries, police)
 - iv. Weatherization (Most cost effective)
 - b. Lots of grants available
6. Rec/Library Building Audit Update- Hold for next meeting
7. Public Safety Building Generator Replacement
 - a. Moving forward with replacing. More discussion is needed regarding sizing, use, etc. in order to consider alternative options
 - b. Creating a Capital Improvement Plan was suggested for longterm planning and being better prepared for Grants as they become available
8. Web Updates- to be completed

- a. CP page name change, updated rates picture, Link to Q2 announcement
- b. Energy FAQ section- nothing coming in, will address at a later date if needed

9. Pollinator Friendly Solar

- a. Group agreed to have a presentation- Paul will contact

10. CPCNH Updates

- a. Membership approved
- b. Logo submission- to just include Stonehouse.
- c. Paul added to onboarding processes
- d. Henry Herndon tentative to attend next meeting, August 17
- e. Task spreadsheet to be shared with group
- f. EAP Template and other town examples
 - a. Group to choose towns to review and compare Goals sections
- g. Will need to schedule 2 public hearings- Paul to talk to Conner

11. Doug Langdon - Consultant for Town on PPA

- a. Group agreed to have a presentation, important to hear objections to CPCNH

12. Other brokers mentioned, Standard Power and Colonial Power.

13. Reviewed Notable items

- a. NH Dept of Energy newsletter (see email)
- b. PUC file room (see agenda)
- c. ISO NE article (see email)

14. The meeting adjourned at 9 pm.