June 1, 2023

Energy Committee June 1, 2023, Meeting Minutes

Barrington, N.H. Town Hall

In attendance: Paul Panish, Rob Gibson, Dan Federico, Doug Bogen.

Absent: Alyssa Papineau, Leah Harrington, Jack Bingham.

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

- 1. Paul Panish called the meeting to order.
- 2. The group approved the meeting minutes for 5/4/23.
- 3. Dan discussed the need to review with the full group the selection of a committee member who would be the alternate Community Power representative. Currently Paul is the representative and Dan is the alternate, pending the Select Board appointment.
- 4. Dan requested that the group consider someone for July to take over the minute keeper role.
- 5. Dan provided a summary of the meeting held with Town department heads on May 18th.
- 6. Paul discussed the presentation he made to the Select Board regarding Community Power on May 22d. Paul confirmed that the Community Power process does include both medical priority during power outage, which will continue to be handled by Eversource as the delivery service provider, and that low income assistance is available through community programs. There was nothing discovered that would impair the Town's ability to apply for federal funding when Community Power was in place.
- 7. The group discussed the solar company solicitations from Kearsarge Energy and Green Street Power Partners regarding group net metering proposals, and decided the full committee would address this in the near future.
- 8. The groups discussed group net metering and that one has to be an Eversource customer to do it, and with Community Power, it can be done, but the host must opt out of Community Power.
- 9. ISO New England- Consumer Liaison Group is holding a webinar on long term battery storage on June 8<sup>th</sup> at noon.

- 10. The New Hampshire Energy- Climate- Environment Network is holding a webinar on June 5, 2023 that addresses Offshore wind issues.
- 11. The group discussed a request from the department heads meeting to replace the Public Safety building generator. It was determined that specific feedback as to usage was needed to assess this request.
- 12. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm