

October 5, 2023

Energy Committee October 5, 2023, Meeting Minutes

Barrington, N.H. Town Hall

In attendance: Paul Panish, Doug Bogen, Rob Gibson, Cynthia Hoisington, Leah Harrington, Dan Federico
Guest: Jim Anderson

Absent: Jack Bingham, Matt Towne

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

1. Paul Panish called the meeting to order.
2. Minutes approved from 9/7/23 meeting
3. Sharing Community power flyer
 - a. Flyer shared with Town Admin
 - b. Cannot use town resources for printing/distribution but can do online
 - c. Grant money- Doug looking into- \$500
 - d. Wait until warrant article numbers before doing townwide print- before voting
4. Public meetings
 - a. Should schedule for end of October and Mid November – Paul working with Conner
 - b. Transfer station day to schedule for handing out flyers
 - c. Community power member outreach to Dan and Paul for dates in order for Henry Herndon or others to attend
5. Town hall solar proposals - Jim Anderson
 - a. Initial Energy audit proposal for town hall.
 - b. Need approved for select board to get RFP and warrant article
 - c. ARPA funds- do not need warrant article (Recovery act)- still a balance.
 - i. Need to talk to Conner, Katrine
 - ii. Will need to check for manufacturing origination rules
 - d. Public safety, and Library/Rec proposals pending
6. Logo finalized – CP
7. CP Member meeting Plan workshop from September
 - a. -Paul in person, Dan virtual
8. Barrington Library/Rec Audit report
 - a. Trying to get various proposals, One received from RBG. Need to verify pricing/quote reliability
 - b. Competing warrant articles for capital improvements will be likely
 - c. Some items in the audit already involved in separate proposals, should prioritize building envelope upgrades
9. Public Safety Building upgrades
 - a. CDFA Funding not available until June for energy audit
 - b. Other funding in order to get audit done?
 - c. Energy audit vs design/engineering from same company

10. Aggregation Plan

- a. Cost savings chart based on Barrington usage
- b. Still need dates for public sessions – otherwise done

11. CP Powerpoint presentation

- a. Everyone to review and add suggestions for next meeting- In Shared folder

12. Notable items

- a. Windpower and fisheries, second presentation held
- b. Annual Disclosure label from Electric companies
- c. Referendum in Maine for power utilities to be made public

13. Schedule

- a. October 19, 7:00PM
- b. November 2, 7:00PM

Meeting Adjourned 8:20 p.m.