

Center Harbor Energy Committee *FINAL* Minutes of Meeting – 20 Feb 2020

Attendees: Carol Sullivan, Bernie Volz, Annette Nichols and Selectmen Representative Richard Drenkhahn.

Carol called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. The minutes of the meeting of January 16th were approved as written. Bernie moved to accept; Carol seconded.

Clean Energy NH.

Community Power Update. Carol reported that Henry Herndon is working on a workshop to educate communities and other members about the potential opportunities.

Carol has been in touch with the Bristol NH Energy Manager. They are considering a PPA with a third party for a solar project will be presented at the annual Town meeting. Bristol is primarily served by Eversource.

The NH House is considering two Net Metering Bills – HB1218 and HB1402. Carol sent out the details to the committee.

Bernie questioned why our Town would consider a third party PPA, as the Town could potentially self finance and reap the full benefit. He thought we should potentially investigate what size system we should consider if we wanted to consider a 100% offset of the Town. Any project would require support at an annual Town meeting. Bernie will talk to Ken Frazee about potential opportunity.

Carol submitted the CHEC annual report to LES. They will be developing a Member's Energy Committee Annual Report Data.

PAREI. Carol will attend their annual meeting on March 6th in Plymouth. They will be holding a Button Up workshop in Sandwich.

Communications with other Towns.

Meredith is considering introducing a Citizens Climate Lobby warrant article (as described in Jan 2020 minutes) at their Town meeting.

Plymouth and Tamworth are focusing on Recycling as a priority.

2020 Energy Committee Potential Projects. Bernie suggested an LED lighting upgrade for the Town Hall, Fire Station, Police Station. Annette suggested investigating the Town Hall lighting. Bernie talked about the Town Street light upgrade.

Carol questioned as to whether we need to have a meeting in March.

Richard moved to adjourn the meeting; Bernie seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 19th, 2020 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Annette Nichols, **Jan 17, 2021**