

Center Harbor Energy Committee

Minutes of Meeting – 16 May 2022

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

Carol called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Carol proposed some minor changes to the April meeting draft minutes. Bernie moved to accept the April 14, 2022 minutes as amended. Richard seconded. The minutes of the meeting of April 14th were approved as amended.

2022 Municipal Bldg – Change Remaining Fluorescent Lights to LED Bert Sutcliffe stated to Carol that he thought all lights were already converted to LED, including the police station and Fire Department.

Install Mini-Splits for Town House and School House for Heating and Cooling

Richard reported that the Heritage Commission mentioned the project but did not present a request for approval. No further action from CHEC required.

Upgrade Lighting in Fire Station

Bert Sutcliffe will meet with Chief Tyler or one of his staff to understand a proposed scope of work. Some lights inside have not been converted to LED. Tyler wants lighting outside over the truck doors. Discussion with Bernie and Tyler involved the possibility of two-stage lighting or two sets of lights, as well as lights around the parking area. Carol will advise Burt as to the next steps.

Research Options for improving Heating/Cooling Reliability in Town Hall and Fire Station.

Bert is not comfortable with taking on the Town Hall HVAC system. Richard reported that the current system is Daikin. Northern Peabody does the current maintenance. The current unit is approx. one year old. Bernie will contact Denron Hall out of Manchester for a suggested proposal.

New Business

No new business was proposed at the meeting.

Other Business

PAREI Update. Carol reported that PAREI has met with LRCT to site a Solar Shares site at their property for use for solar bill credits for Center Harbor, Holderness, Sandwich, and potentially Meredith. It may assist approx. 10 families.

She reported that PAREI will start conducting Button Up workshops.

Clean Energy NH Update. Carol reported that Clean Energy NH and Local Energy Solutions have monthly meetings, and that we are welcome to attend.

NH Environment, Energy, and Climate Network Update.

Carol reported that the Network will hold an Annual Summit on June 18 via Zoom. Key topics include Conservation, Community, Green Stewardship. They had a Community Power Update on May 9th.

The Network is taking on a Plastics focus for July. There has been minimal support from the Lakes Region to date. Carol will generate a proposed statement for CHEC review and comment, for potential submission to the Select Board.

Annette moved to adjourn the meeting; Richard seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Future meetings will be scheduled on an as-needed basis on the third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting is pending.

Respectfully submitted, Annette Nichols, **July 16, 2022**