

Center Harbor Energy Committee

Minutes of Meeting – February 20, 2023

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

Carol called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Annette suggested that with extensive modifications required for the draft Jan minutes, the group postpone approval and plan to review an updated draft. The committee agreed.

On-Going Business

Potential Solar project for behind municipal building – Presentation at March 2023 Town Meeting. Bernie suggested that the committee consider that the CHEC budget be increased from \$1 to \$50,000 prior to voting on the budget. There was a lack of consensus on this proposal. Annette agreed to contact Chris for his opinion, which would then be shared with the committee.

Bernie will put the proposal on the Town website.

Carol will investigate other options for grants and funding sources but will wait until after we discuss with Chris.

New Business

Carol identified other potential sources of funding/assistance for solar project via block grants. A Webinar sponsored by Sen. Jean Shaheen and the NH Municipal Association was held on 1/27/23.

PAREI Update. – No Update.

Clean Energy NH Update. – No Update.

NH EEC Network Update

Some NH State Senators and Representatives are recommending removal of the DOE Advisory Committee due to their opinion that DOE does not need Committee advice.

Other Business

The CHEC will wait to swear in until after the March annual Town meeting.

Annette moved to adjourn the meeting; Richard seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 pm.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 20th, 2023.