

MINUTES Town of Exeter Energy Committee

Wednesday Jan 12, 2022 at 3:30 pm. Wheelwright Room
Cliff Sinnott, Betsy Stevens, Lew Hitzrot, Renay Allen, Camille Webber
Members of the public: none

ONGOING BUSINESS:

Last month's minutes: approved

Exeter Community Power Cmte (ECPAC) : Cliff reports that the Power Plan (EAP) is complete and has been updated after the first questions by the Select Board and two public hearings. There is no cost to taxpayers and no extra work for town employees. Next is to present final EAP to Select Board Jan. 18 for inclusion in warrant articles. Then we will all go on public info-session tours to community spots, or boost on social media. Final EAP will go on website HERE: www.exeternh.gov/bcc-cpac . Then 2/5/22 Town Deliberative Session, 3/8/22 Town Vote. If passed, there is no starting point to buy power, and they will wait for the most opportune pricing in the market. Cmte has >50 replies to the survey; majority positive, would like more returns. Survey also at link above. Renay will make some social media content and share to all.

PEA Students: Betsy reports that Lew will come into her class next week to speak to the students about a Service Learning project around Community Power.

Student Liaison Update: Camille will spend 6 school days at the Statehouse in the "Girls Rock the Capitol" program. She will help promote Community Power at the school via the Environmental Club. A solar project she has been working on since 8th grade has taken a step forward; the School Board sub cmte working on the Special Education house (at the beginning of the EHS driveway) is planning to recommend a ground array.

Electric Vehicles/Chargers: Renay reported that we will vote whether to recommend a report on EVC to the Planning Board at our next meeting. Dave Sharples is working on the "make-ready" language changes to the Site Regulations, after speaking with the Resilience Coord of Dover (Jackson Kaspari). Renay, Dave, and Doug Eastman will present to Planning Board in Feb, if our cmte votes to recommend.

Energy "Ambassador" Partnerships (AKA our cmte out talking to people): Lew and others will be speaking to Riverwoods, Rotary and other community orgs about Community Power.

Earth Day "Green Minute" video: Renay will again coord a video of various "green" town cmtes each giving a one-minute blurb about their accomplishments/plans. Bob Glowacky will film.

Wish List: Could also be called "goals for 2022" but a great many of our projects depend on timing out of our control. Next meeting we will talk more about this. We will keep an official running list and it will be posted on our website. The person who puts something on the list is responsible for heading up the tactics of that item.

Guest Speaker: When less Covid-ish, we would like to have Same Evans-Brown of CENH in to speak with us.

March: There will be no Energy Cmte meeting in March.

Adjourned 4:17 pm

Next meeting Feb 9th , Wheelwright Room – not filmed

ACTION ITEMS:

#1 All: Think about Wish List

#2 All: Promote Community Power materials. Send email to Lew and ask how. Vote is early March.

Renay: Work on EVC with Dave/Doug, etc, Coord Green Minute, make Community Power Social Media bits

Julie: get \$200 budget line passed for 2022