DRAFT MINUTES Town of Exeter Energy Committee

Wednesday Feb 8th, 2023 at 3:30 pm. Wheelwright Room

Betsy Stevens, Lew Hitzrot, Amy Farnham, Olivia Shore, Cliff Sinnott, Robin Tyner

Staff: Kristen Murphy, SAC Liasion: Ryan Jean

3:30 Call to order

ONGOING BUSINESS:

Motion by Lew, 2nd by Cliff to approve Jan Minutes. Motion passes with 1 abstention.

Education Projects

Exeter Community Power Committee: Timeline has shifted a bit. Go/No Go date is 2/17, customer mailings 3/10. Committee had table at deliberative session. Future outreach: new brochure produced. Lew will provide a copy to Kristen to print for keeping in town office building alcove brochure bin. Website updated. Notice in water bills will go out starting at the end of Feb. Each mailing reaches 1/3 of residents so it will take 3 mos. to reach all. Zoom forum is scheduled for 2/28 at 6:30 pm. Link for registration provided in agenda. PEA students will help by canvassing (or handout brochures at grocery). Public information session date TBD. Someone will be present sharing info on Saturdays at the transfer station. Bob Glowacky will help with social media announcements.

Building Code: Ryan said in Jan NH moved to 2018 International Building Code and International Resident Codes. Some towns have attempted to adopt more stringent codes but have met State resistance. Kristen reached out to Darren Port (NEEP) to see about the potential for a presentation on building codes and sections that pertain to energy efficiency.

EHS Student Liaison: Olivia said the students are sending letters to NH senators to show their support and may have Chris Pappas come and speak at a future event.

Other Business: Amy provided an update on Dave Sharples presentation at Deliberative Session. Committee in attendance felt it was well received.

Lew suggested the Committee start thinking about future uses for the Reserve Fund that community power will generate. The initial funds will go to CPCNH to cover start up costs.

Motion by Lew, 2nd by Robin to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 4:15pm.

Next meeting March 8th, Wheelwright Room) (2023 dates:, 4/12, 5/10, 6/14, 7/12, --, 9/13, 10/11, 11/8, 12/13)