

**TOWN OF DEERFIELD, NH**  
**Community Power Plan Committee**  
George B. White Building  
8 Raymond Rd. Deerfield, NH 03037

November 9, 2023  
**Public Hearing**

Erroll Rhodes, Chairperson, opened the Public Hearing at 5:00 PM by reading the RSA for notice of a public hearing.

Emily Manns from Standard Power gave a presentation on Community Power Plans. She provided several pros to using a Community Power Plan:

- Secure competitive pricing
- Use & support local renewable energy
- Local control
- Consumer protections
- Energy planning
- Innovative local programs
- Education & awareness

Ms. Manns stated that a survey was conducted. There were 62 responses to the survey. Of the 62 people who responded, 47% were Eversource customers, 37% were NH Co-Op customers. A majority of those who responded would like to lower their energy bills and have taken steps to do so. A majority would also like renewable energy if it doesn't increase their bills.

Options for a Community Power Plan were provided by Ms. Manns:

- Basic - Lowest rate, meets state minimum for renewable energy
- Deerfield Default - Competitive rate, targets 5%-10% additional renewable energy
- Deerfield 50% - Small increase, targets 50% renewable energy
- Deerfield 100% - Market rate, targets 100% renewable energy

Ms. Manns explained Deerfield is currently in the planning stage. The next steps would be to approve a plan, submit the plan to the Public Utilities Commission for approval, and to vote on the plan in 2024.

Several members of the public asked questions, which were answered by Ms. Manns, in regards to rates and renewable energy options.

Mr. Rhodes closed the Public Hearing at 5:35 PM.