

# **Community Power Committee Meeting**

## **Draft Minutes**

**Meeting Date:** June 21, 2023

### **Attendance:**

Emily Manns (Standard Power), Bob Hayden (Standard Power), Committee Members: Erroll Rhodes, Megan Ulin, Bernie Cameron (joined 5:21), Mal Cameron (joined 5:21), Wes Golomb (joined 5:30)

### **Minutes:**

1. Minutes
  1. May minutes to be sent out and approved next meeting
2. Status Update
  1. Bob provided status update. Draft plan now available for review, and survey is in the Gazette.
3. Community Survey
  1. Town has placed surveys at the town clerks office and at the library. Town clerk is drop off point.
  2. Distribution to transfer station to be coordinated (Erroll to speak with attendants and see if the town can print 100 copies for distribution).
  3. Where can it be posted online (Facebook, town website, Forum, etc...)
  4. Suggestion from Mal to change wording on survey from anonymous to confidential due to opportunity to add email address
  5. Amend questionnaire for return address and drop box locations at library, transfer station and town clerk
4. Activity Timeline
  1. Survey is typically posted for a month, ~July 15<sup>th</sup>. Then draft plan is presented with initial survey results.
  2. Discuss draft plan July 5<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> of July meeting will be a good opportunity to gauge response level with potential to approve draft plan by July 19<sup>th</sup>.
  3. Approve draft plan for public input July 19<sup>th</sup> to be released for review on town website
  4. Two public hearings, dates to be determined at a future meeting (often same day with lunch time and evening), target for early September prior to September 20<sup>th</sup> committee meeting
5. Old Business
6. New Business

1. Discussion of recent utility rate drop, current overall low market opportunities, and market timing and volume (generally ~80-100mil kWhs total for towns)
2. Discussion of whether town already buying competitive power affects the buying power of community power program
3. Discussion of ramifications due to some customers being Eversource and some NHEC – updates to come from other towns in NHEC territory
4. Sharing of Bob's Community Power interview video with Wes
5. Action items:
  1. Emily to work with Erroll to revise questionnaire and distribute
  2. Mal to post on forum
7. Adjournment