



Local Energy Committee Minutes July 18, 2023

6 – 7:45 PM, Nesmith Library & ZOOM

1. Meeting called to order at 6:05PM

Attendees: John Klyop, Swapnil Saket, Joel Taft and Mark Kovacs

Mr. Swapnil Saket, a new LEC member, introduced himself to the current members. Each of the members, in turn, introduced themselves to Swapnil. Swapnil indicated that he has been interested in energy conservation measures and renewable energy for some time and has been implementing some of these ideas in his own home. He expressed a strong interest in helping advance renewable energy implementation in the Town.

2. Old Business

a. Streetlight Upgrade Project – John Klyop

John reported that Brian McCarthy, Town Administrator, has been talking to both Eversource and Liberty Utilities re streetlight upgrades. Brian asked to meet with John Gage and John Klyop to update them on his recent discussions with utilities. John is waiting to hear from Brian on a meeting date

b. Status of energy efficiency document – Joel Taft

Joel has obtained approval from the Town Building Inspector on material included in his energy efficient upgrade document provided Joel updates reference to the latest fire protection code. No word from the Town attorney on any issues related to Joel's document. Brian McCarthy, Town Administrator, has requested that Joel prepare a 5-slide introduction to his Energy Efficiency Upgrade presentation. Presumably, Mr. McCarthy will use this material in discussions with

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the Board of Selectmen in seeking their concurrence on publication of the energy efficiency upgrade document.

c. Status of agreement with NH Community Power Coalition – Allen Reed
Allen was away on business, but had previously reported that he has received no word from Brian McCarthy regarding the Town attorney’s review of the contract.

3. New business

- a. Recommendation to Town and School district to include solar PV projects in the upcoming CIP. – Mark Kovacs

Mark reported that Pat Manzo and he were speaking with Brian McCarthy tomorrow to discuss including solar systems for the Police and Fire Stations in the upcoming Capital Improvement Process sessions beginning in August. Mark also will seek Brian’s approval to approach the Windham School Committee to discuss potential solar systems for the School District buildings.

4. Adjourn

- a. Moved and seconded by John Klyop and Joel Taft, respectively. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM.

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