

NELSON TOWN BUILDINGS COMMITTEE

August 15, 2022

Attendees

- Lisa Sieverts
- Dave Upton
- Patsy Beffa-Negrini
- Kim Rich
- Absent
 - Dave Birchenough
 - Earl Creasey

Action Items

- Lisa
 - Ask Edie for the July Eversource bills (or whichever recent bills are easiest for her to scan) for the 3 accounts
 - Write up a sample Eversource bill for a solar customer as an example of “before the meter”
 - Figure out how to calculate the difference in payback from connecting to the Library net meter for Village ASHPs, compared to a Turtle Hill solar connected to that net meter to power Village ASHPs
 - Call Jason at StarWind
- Dave U
 - Do the spreadsheet calculations of cost of solar on Town Hall roof vs. cost of solar at Turtle Hill, for equivalent 20kW system size.
 - Get an Eversource person to come talk to us and tell us what they would do and not do. Also to find out if our hopes for a 2024 array would be sending too much power to their grid.

MINUTES

- Chair Lisa Sieverts calls the meeting to order at 6:00 PM
- Approve the Minutes of August 1, 2022 as sent by email on August 15, 2022, motion by Dave U to accept, second by Kim, all in favor
- Patsy re Public Meetings with NCP?
 - Nelson Community Power Committee public meetings will be official Public Hearings, so not a good fit with TBC
 - So we should do more of a community discussion
- Net Metering Research
 - The net meter on the Library has the best rate arrangements because it’s grand-fathered in

- Dave's picture from Eversource of the parts of an Eversource bill
 - Supply side
 - Distribution side
- Accounts
 - The Town gets one bill that looks like Dave's, one for each account. I should try to get a copy of the July bills.
 - Highway Dept is a producer, they will never use as much energy as they produce, today
 - Town Office is on the same account as Highway Dept, for half the solar at the Safety Building, because Town Office is the biggest user of electricity
 - Police Fire Solar half does the Granite Lake Station, Main fire station, police is on another account
 - Library gets its own bill
 - Lisa will ask Edie for these 3 bills
- Motion to adjourn at 6:57 PM by Dave U, second by Patsy, all in favor

Next Meeting

- Monday September 19 6 PM Library Lower Level
 - Goal: We have these comparisons and we're ready to go back to the Selectboard
 - Patsy away