

# NELSON COMMUNITY POWER

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October 4, 2022

## Attendees

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- In-person
  - Lisa Sieverts
  - Bill Waterston
  - Jonathan Pfister
- Zoom
  - Patsy Beffa-Negrini
- Absent
  - Sandy Mackenzie
  - Rick Weyerhaeuser
  - Gary Robinson
  - Greg Rothman
  - Mare-Ann Jarvela
- Guests
  - None

## Action Items

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- ALL
  - Compare our Energy Aggregation plan to the County Plan, especially for the sections each of us wrote, what's missing from the County Plan? Prepare to talk about this on October 18
    - [co.cheshire.nh.us/wp-content/uploads/Departments/Commissioners/Electric-Aggregation-Plan/Electrical-Aggregation-Plan-Cheshire-Community-Power.pdf](https://co.cheshire.nh.us/wp-content/uploads/Departments/Commissioners/Electric-Aggregation-Plan/Electrical-Aggregation-Plan-Cheshire-Community-Power.pdf)
- Patsy
  - Let Edie know to expect the County's EAP, and to share it with this Committee
  - Begin work on the Annual rRport from this committee (becomes part of the Town Meeting document)

## MINUTES

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- Meeting called to order at 2:36 PM without a quorum
- Motion to approve the minutes of August 30, 2022, as sent by email on September 1, 2022, by X and Y seconds, all in favor
  - We'll do this at our next meeting as we did not have a quorum

- Updates from Patsy
  - On August 30, the PUC approved Lebanon's EAP (NH Coalition)
  - The PUCs rules were approved by the NH Legislature in mid-September
  - And Keene's EAP was just approved (Standard Power/Good Energy)
  - Dublin is considering going with Cheshire County
  - Sustainability Hub and Cheshire County are planning another public meeting soon for Cheshire towns
  - Patsy has read the Cheshire County EAP (a Coalition EAP). It will go to Cheshire County Commission in December and then to the PUC. We should be receiving a "final" version soon because they want the Towns to provide input, too, before taking it to the County Commissioners. Will that go to the Selectboard or our committee? Not sure, but probably Selectboard.
    - Patsy will let Edie know to expect the County's EAP, and to share it with this Committee
    - It seems like we should wait until December when their plan is approved before asking the Selectboard to vote to join.
    - Should we do an interim meeting with the Selectboard? Yes. And Patsy will start working on the Annual Report of this committee.
    - If this goes through, any person in Cheshire County can opt-in. We would like to see the Nelson Selectboard opt-in as a town so that then individuals can opt-out.
    - Ideally, the County and the Hub will provide materials to help us communicate with our Town and the Selectboard.
    - We had asked a question about their use of a Reserve Fund
      - They are focused on energy conservation and new infrastructure in the county where there is access to 3-phase power.
- Survey
  - 72 surveys returned
    - 11% of residents
  - We won't go out and canvas anymore, but let's all continue to share the link when we see someone we haven't seen in a while (who lives in town).
- Motion to adjourn at 3:11 PM

## Next Meetings

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- Tuesday October 18 2:30 PM
  - Everyone read the County EAP and be prepared to share what you think.
- Tuesday November 1 2:30 PM

## Useful Links

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- Our Draft Energy Aggregation Plan
  - [docs.google.com/document/d/18KtihWHUubydITstlS84\\_Vf06fmmjy9ioXdwtViGnQM/edit#](https://docs.google.com/document/d/18KtihWHUubydITstlS84_Vf06fmmjy9ioXdwtViGnQM/edit#)
- Cheshire County Draft EAP
  - [co.cheshire.nh.us/wp-content/uploads/Departments/Commissioners/Electric-Aggregation-Plan/Electrical-](https://co.cheshire.nh.us/wp-content/uploads/Departments/Commissioners/Electric-Aggregation-Plan/Electrical-)

## [Aggregation-Plan-Cheshire-Community-Power.pdf](#)

- Google Group Email
  - [nelsoncommunitypower@googlegroups.com](mailto:nelsoncommunitypower@googlegroups.com)
  - Using this email address will automatically send your message to everyone on the committee
- Nelson Community Power Web Page
  - [sites.google.com/view/nelsoncommunitypower/home](https://sites.google.com/view/nelsoncommunitypower/home)
  - <http://bit.ly/3QyOGJG>
- Nelson Community Power Google Drive Contents
  - [drive.google.com/file/d/1xnS85vJ7RBCjZQpcZmtSswU\\_2aDhfpi\\_/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xnS85vJ7RBCjZQpcZmtSswU_2aDhfpi_/view)
- Consultants' Web Pages
  - Standard Power: [standardpower.com](http://standardpower.com).
  - Good Energy: [goodenergy.com/](http://goodenergy.com/)
  - Community Power Coalition of NH [cpcnh.org/](http://cpcnh.org/)
  - Freedom Energy Logistics [felpower.com/](http://felpower.com/)
  - Colonial Power Group website: <https://colonialpowergroup.com>