

NELSON COMMUNITY POWER

November 1, 2022

Attendees

- In-person
 - Patsy Beffa-Negrini
 - Lisa Sieverts
 - Mare-Ann Jarvela
 - Jonathan Pfister
 - Gary Robinson
- Zoom
 - Sandy Mackenzie
 - Bill Waterston
- Absent
 - Rick Weyerhaeuser
 - Greg Rothman
- Guests
 - Susan Peters, Dublin Board of Selectmen and Dublin Energy Committee

Action Items

- Patsy
- Lisa

Agenda

- ◦ Accept Minutes of October 18, 2022 meeting
 - sites.google.com/view/nelsoncommunitypower/minutes/20221018
- ◦ Updates: Email from Terry Clark; Patsy and Lisa on Oct. 26 meeting with the Selectboard; Lisa on Keene Energy Panel on Oct. 27; and from broker/consultants
- ◦ Meet with Susan Peters from Dublin to answer her questions about community power
- ◦ Discuss plans for after County Delegate meeting/vote on December 5th and contingency plans if the Cheshire EAP is rejected.
- ◦ New business

MINUTES

- Meeting called to order at 2:32 PM
- Motion to approve the minutes of October 18, 2022, as sent by email on October 23, 2022, by Mare-Anne and Sandy seconds, all in favor
- Updates
 - Answers to our questions for Terry Clark
 - Cheshire County is currently paying \$.159 per kWh, working with broker Freedom Energy Logistics, and the County also does some group net metering with a local hydro group
 - There will be three tiers: default, greenish, and 100% renewable
 - They've talked to Chesterfield and Nelson so far, about joining their Community Power Aggregation.
 - They don't have date for outreach yet, their next milestone is getting their EAP passed by the Cheshire Delegation and the NH PUC
 - Patsy met with Board of Selectmen
 - They are in favor of the Cheshire County Plan and joining the County
 - We are open to the idea of having a warrant article to join Cheshire County, even though this is not required, as it would spur conversation. Waiting on the County to approve their plan and on BOS input.
 - Patsy informed all 3 brokers about our intention to go with Cheshire County
 - Checking in with Harrisville and their EAP
 - But their minutes showed a hurdle
 - Purchase of Receivables
 - Eversource has 90 days to do their purchase of Receivables (POR), an accounting artifact
 - Needs to be a reconciliation between what is read on the meter, and what the supplier sees as far as usage, and an adjustment is made based on the utilities historic collectible/write-off rate
 - Seems like no supplier will quote rates until the Eversource PORs are settled.
 - Could add 1 year to the Community Power process in NH
 - HB315 has to do with this Purchase of Receivables
 - Per Dori Drachman
 - PORs come into play when someone who is part of a Community Power Aggregation Plan can't pay their bills and go on a payment plan. The snag here is that Eversource wants to be the one that is paid back first. Standard Power and Colonial Power want it to be that they and Eversource are paid back at the same time. So Eversource and the brokers now have to negotiate. Dori doesn't see why this issue should take so long to resolve and as far as she knows it doesn't affect The Coalition (CP CNH).
- Conversation with Susan Peters from Dublin
 - Good sharing of information, we look forward to more collaboration
- Cheshire County EAP
 - co.cheshire.nh.us/wp-content/uploads/Departments/Commissioners/Electric-Aggregation-Plan/Electrical-Aggregation-Plan-Cheshire-Community-Power.pdf
- New Business
 - None
- Motion to adjourn by Patsy, second by Gary, at 4:00 PM

Next Meetings

- Tuesday December 6 2:30 PM (there will NOT be a meeting on November 15)

Completed Action Items

Useful Links

- Our Draft Energy Aggregation Plan
 - docs.google.com/document/d/18KtihWHUubydITstIS84_Vf06fmmjy9ioXdwtViGnQM/edit#
- Cheshire County Draft EAP
 - 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
 - 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
 - <http://bit.ly/3QyOGJG>
- Nelson Community Power Google Drive Contents
 - drive.google.com/file/d/1xnS85vJ7RBCjZQpcZmtSswU_2aDhfpi_/view
- Consultants' Web Pages
 - Standard Power: standardpower.com.
 - Good Energy: goodenergy.com/
 - Community Power Coalition of NH cpcnh.org/
 - Freedom Energy Logistics felpower.com/
 - Colonial Power Group website: <https://colonialpowergroup.com>