Dunbarton Energy Committee Meeting Minutes, October 17, 2022 (Virtual meeting)

Members Present: George Holt, David Elberfeld, Mike Kaminski, Dana Lavoie, Bob Ray, John Stevens

Public: None

Meeting opened at 7:05 PM

- 1. Public comment: None
- 2. August 15, 2022 meeting minutes approved
- 3. 2022 Energy Expo
 - Solar vendors except Revision a no-show
 - Revision Solar ran a well attended workshop but did not use table provided on the event floor.
 - 8-10 EVs attended in the parking lot with a shelter tent and 8 10 EVs, all Tesla, well attended.
 - Net Zero very active plus selling a book.
 - Attendance was short of 80% of expected. 90% were from Dunbarton and Bow.
 - Bow energy committee said it was a success.
 - Jessica has suggested next year's event could be better scheduled in November.
 - Possibly have other towns energy committees, Pembroke and other more participate in event organization. Possibly Hooksett if they have an energy committee.
 - Voted to approve reimbursing Bob Ray for EXPO Green Energy Times advertising costs (\$245) and sign stickers (\$105.59).
- 4. School Solar Electric.
 - Dana presented preliminary proposal information with PPA method from Revision and noted possible cost reduction from State.
 - No up-front payment, 5 years till payoff.
 - Investment protection, act allows 30 % reduction in cost.
 - They work also with non-profits.
 - Would cover all electric use.
 - 100 Kw AC size gives best return, includes all bill factors. Larger size includes only supply charges.
 - System would have 349 panels with "string" inverter.
 - We could do further work on reducing the site's usage for additional savings.
 - Check August usage, it looks high for a period when school is not in session.
 - Buyout would be at 62% vs the 28% at the Transfer Statin system.
 - With PPA agreement there would be no up-front or maintenance costs for the first 5 years.
 - Next steps could be a presentation to the School Board. Mike will contact the Board when we could have an informational meeting with them
 - 5. School Hot Water Solar
 - George related that the system is working to some degree, actual data not seen lately.
 - We would like to look at a system to track output / performance.
 - 6. Resident homes tours.
 - George and Dana offered to present tours of their solar systems.
 - Look at "SENSE" usage tracking system which monitors individual appliance usage.
 - 7. School energy savings opportunities.
 - John will send out past energy audits and reports from the.
 - 8. Other matters to discuss.
 - None

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM Next meeting: November 21, 2022 Respectfully submitted: John Stevens