

Dunbarton Energy Committee Meeting Minutes,

April 24, 2023 (Virtual meeting)

Members Present: George Holt, David Nault, John Stevens

Public: None

Meeting opened at 7:00 PM

1. Public comment: None
2. Welcome new Energy Committee Selectmen's rep.
3. March 20, 2023 meeting minutes approved.
4. Review Community Power program press release from Standard Power, Nashua, who presented briefly at the last Selectmen's meeting
 - The Selectmen directed them to present to the Energy Committee. Likely at the next meeting, May 15.
 - Largest Community power vendor in NH.
 - Offer lower KWh power rates than Eversource and others. (not including delivery and other costs)
 - Will need to present warrant article at Town Meeting for public approval of program.
 - Property owners would need to opt out of the program if they do not want to participate.
 - Rates do not apply to owner produced solar.
 - Better rate depending on how much solar sourced power.
 - They source mostly natural power sources, not natural gas or coal.
 - ISO New England app tells what % of several electric generating fuels used.
 - John will distribute proposal to EC members.
 - NH has the highest power rates in the U.S.
 - No opt in or opt out costs mentioned, need to check.
5. School solar electric.
 - Discussed panels location, is there potential roof mounting damage?
6. School solar hot water system:
 - No changes
7. Progress on tours of Resident's homes for solar and other energy savings.
 - None planned for next few months.
8. Town Solar (Transfer Station)
 - David needs figures on how the final \$50K payment affects the system payback affects program costs.
9. Next meeting will be live/in-person for presentation by the Community Power company.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM

Next meeting: May 15, 2023

Respectfully submitted: John Stevens